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Jan. 10. 1859.

Organization of the School Committee.

A Meeting of the School-Committee of the City of Boston was held in the Common Council Chamber, City Hall, on Monday, the tenth day of January, 1859, at half past Four o'clock P. M. by order of the Mayor, for the organization of the Board for the current Municipal year.

The members of the former Board who retain their seats this year are as follows:-

Members who hold over.

Ward 1. Matthias Rich Jr.
Micah Dyer Jr.
George Talyan
Charles A. Turner.

Ward 2. Warren H. Cudworth.
J. Wesley Hinckley.
James N. Sykes.
J. Harvey Woodbury.

Ward 3. Silas F. Plimpton.
Erastus W. Sanborn.
Isaac H. Hazelton.
M. C. Greene.

Ward 4. Alonzo A. Miner.
Amelius D. Parker.
Nath'l B. Shurtleff.
Ezra Palmer.

Ward 5.
John S. Jarvis.
Wm. C. Townsend.

Ward 6. Samuel K. Lothrop.
John Codman.
Robert W. Hooper.

Ward 7. Patrick Riley.
Henry W. Haynes.
Le Baron Russell.
Farnham Plummer.

Ward 8. Rufus Ellis.
Elijah C. Drew.
George H. Lyman.
John B. Alley.

Ward 9. William Read.
N. C. Keep.
Winslow Lewis.
Joseph L. Drew.

Ward 10. Thaddeus Allen.
Edmund B. Dearborn.
Otis Kimball.
George G. Smith.

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Ward 11. Samuel B. Crafts. Ward 12. William W. Dean
George P. French
Henry Burroughs Jr.
Thomas H. Chandler. Geo. W.m Dennett.

Absent

All of the foregoing members were present, except Messrs. Dyer, Hinckley, Lewis, Parker, Sanborn, Smith & Sykes.

New members present

In addition to the above, the following newly elected members appeared and took their seats:-
Hon. Frederick W. Lincoln Jr. Mayor, President of the Board.

Ward 1. Adino B. Hall
William A. Krueger
2. John Noble
Samuel J. Cobb
3. Edward D. G. Palmer
4. George Bartlett
Loring Lothrop
5.
Otis Norcross
6.
John C. Stockbridge.

Ward 7. Charles D. Homans
John C. Moore
8. Thomas M. Brewer
Richard M. Hodges
9 John P. Putnam
Edward H. Immidown.
10,
Samuel J. M. Homer.
11. Charles W. Slack
Frederick T. Thayer.
12 Thomas Dawes
Choate Burnham.

and Henry A. Miles in place of Joseph L. Bates, resigned. James W. Stone, in place of Charles Gordon, resigned. William H. Learnard Jr. in place of Luther Parks Jr. resigned, and John Duncan, in place of William Dickinson resigned.

The President, having taken the Chair, called upon the Rev. Dr. Lothrop, who offered an Address to the Throne of Grace. — Jan. 10. 1859.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Kimball, Haynes and Slack a Committee to collect Credentials; who reported that they had received the Certificates of twenty-two newly elected members. — Committee to collect Credentials.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Putnam, French & Norcross a Committee to collect the ballots for a Secretary; who reported the whole number to be 57; all for Mr. Barnard Capen, who was accordingly declared elected. — Secretary chosen.

On motion of Dr. Lyman, it was — Salary of Secretary

Ordered, That the salary of the Secretary of the Board be, for the ensuing year, One thousand Dollars.

The President then appointed the following Standing Committees, which were approved by the Board:- — Standing Committees appointed.

Committee on Elections. Messrs. Plimpton, Drew of Ward 9, Turner, Stone, and Krueger.

Rules and Regulations. Messrs. Miles, Read, Lothrop, Plummer and Keep.

Salaries. Messrs. Palmer of Ward 4, Mann, Kimball, Hall and Greene.

Accounts. Messrs. Alley, Rolfe, Drew of Ward 8, Norcross and Bartlett.

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Standing Committees (continued.)

Text Books. Messrs. Lothrop, Codman, Russell, Putnam and Lyman.

School Houses. Messrs. Hooper, Hazelton, Shuttleff, Cruft and French.

Music. Messrs. Read, Upham, Cudworth, Dearborn and Russell.

Latin School. Messrs. Shuttleff, Codman, Haynes, Ellis, & Read.

English High School. Messrs. Lothrop, Miles, Fabyan, Putnam and Alley.

Girls High and Normal School. Messrs. Russell, Palmer (Ward 4), Lyman, Brewer, and Burroughs.

Adams School District. Messrs. Sykes, Hinckley, Cudworth, Woodbury, Noble and Cobb.

Bigelow School District. Messrs. Dawes, French, Dean, Dennett, Burnham and Duncan.

Bowdoin School District. Messrs. Palmer (Ward 4), Shuttleff, Upham, Plimpton, Miner, Hooper, Sanborn, Townsend, Lothrop, (Ward 4) and Stone.

Boylston School District. Messrs. Parker, Codman, Homans, Hooper, Russell, Riley, Haynes, Plummer, Drew, and Moore.

Brimmer School District. Messrs. Lyman, Alley, Allen, Read, Kimball, Lewis, Rolfe, Ammidown, Putnam.

Chapman School District. Messrs. Cudworth, Sykes, Hinckley, Woodbury, Cobb, and Noble.

Dwight School District. Messrs. Cruft, Rolfe, Haynes, Burroughs, Allen, Chandler,

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(continued.)

Rich, Slack, Thayer, Leonard & Drew (Wd. 9.)
Eliot School District. Messrs. Dyer, Fabyan, Palmer,
Hall, Greene, Turner, Jarvis, Krueger & Bean.
Franklin School District. Messrs. Ellis, Crafts, Al-
len, Dearborn, Chandler, Smith, Drew
of Ward 9. Leonard, Thayer, and Slack.
Hancock School District. Messrs. Hall, Fabyan,
Palmer, (Ward 3.) Dyer, Fairbanks, Kinsley,
Green, Turner, Bean, Krueger & Bartlett.
Hayes School District. Messrs. Dean, French, Dear-
born, Dennett, Dawes, Burnham & Duncan.
Lawrence School District. Messrs. Dean, French,
Dennett, Dawes, Drew, of Ward 9, Dun-
can and Burnham.
Lyman School District. Messrs. Chadwick, Sykes,
Kinsley, Redding, Turner, & Ellis.
Mayhew School District. Messrs. Hemans, Hazelton,
Mavrin, Parker, Townsend, Bartlett,
and Coale.
Phillips School District. Messrs. Upham, Giles,
Keep, Stockbridge, Norcross, Gothrop
of Ward 6. Stone, and Gothrop of Ward 4.
Quincy School District. Messrs. Ellis, Brewer,
Riley, Kimball, Drew of Ward 8, Smith,
Hodges, Homer and Ammidown.
Wells School District. Messrs. Giles, Hazelton, Mavrin,
Plimpton, Jarvis, Greene, Norcross, Stockbridge
and Coale.
Winthrop School District. Messrs. Brewer, Alley, Putnam,
Dearborn, Drew, (Ward 8.) Rolfe, Keep, Homer, Am-
midown and Hodges.

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Rules & Regulations adopted.

Voted, on motion of Dr. Lothrop, to adopt the Rules and Regulations of the former Board, until further ordered; and to refer the same to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Call of first Meetings of the Committees

Voted, on motion of Dr. Alley, That the first-named on each of the High School, and Grammar School District Committees be authorized to call the first meeting of their respective Committees.

Printed Organization to be prepared.

Ordered, That, at the end of the time allowed by the Rules for the organization of the Committees, the Secretary shall prepare a printed Organization of the Public Schools, from such materials as shall have been furnished him by said Committees.

School Hours.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Kimball, - That the Committee on Rules and Regulations consider the expediency of so far amending Section 3d. Chapter 5, that it shall read as follows: "From the first Monday in May, to the first Monday in October the Grammar and Primary Schools shall commence their morning sessions at nine o'clock and close at twelve o'clock"

Mr. Ellis offered the following: —

New Quincy School House.

The Quincy School Committee of the last year recommend the erection of a new School House, on the site of their building lately destroyed by fire; said new Building to be three stories in height, instead of four; to cover a larger area than the former house,

and to be capable of accommodating fourteen class-rooms, and a hall. Read, and referred to the Committee on School Houses.

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On motion of Mr. Putnam,

Voted, That the Certificates of Election be referred to the Committee on Elections.

Certificates of Election referred.

Voted to adjourn.

Attest.

Barnard Capen, Secretary.

March 1. 1859. A Quarterly Meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held at the City Hall, on Tuesday, the 1st day of March, 1859, at 4 o'clock P.M. The President in the Chair.

Present, - The whole Board, except Messrs. Bean, Burroughs, Duncan, Keep, Lewis, Parker, Riley, Rolfe, Smith, and Stone.

Contested Election. Pike. The Chair read a communication from E. W. Pike, and five others, asking that the seat of J. W. Stone in this Board, be declared vacant, and that another person be elected in his place, he not being a resident of Ward Six, from which he was elected, as the City, and was not at the time of his election.

Resignation. Stone. Bean. The Chair also read the resignations of J. W. Stone, and N. J. Bean, as members of the School Committee.

Thereupon, on motion of Mr. Putnam, it was —

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Mayor and Aldermen, proposing a Convention of both Boards, on Monday, the 21st. instant, at 4 o'clock P. M. for the purpose of filling said vacancies; and that public notice be given of the fact, pursuant to law.

Vacancies: Convention proposed.

Teachers confirmed: The following Teachers, having served the usual terms of probation, were confirmed; viz. — —

Dwight School. Sarah W. Pollard, Assistant in the Dwight School for Girls.

Franklin " Mary J. Bray, Assistant in the Franklin School.

Lawrence Dist. " Mary A. Tolman, in a primary School, Lawrence District.

Quincy " Sarah E. Sanford, in a primary School, Quincy District.

Winthrop Sch. " Mary L. Hall, Assistant in the Winthrop School.

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Nominations.

The following Teachers were nominated to the Board as being on probation. -

Latin, Joseph A. Hale, Usher in the Latin School.

Bigelow, Lucy C. Bartlett, Assistant in the Bigelow School.

Brimmer School, Harriet E. Howard & Harriet N. Paine, Assist^ts, Brimmer School.

Brimmer Dist^t. Sarah Talley and Martha J. Coolidge, in Primary Schools in the Brimmer District.

Chapman Sch. Dist^t. Mary E. Morse, Assistant in the Chapman School.

" " Mary C. Hall and Zelinda L. Barnes, in Primary Schools in the Chapman District

Dwight Sch. Lucius A. Wheelock, Usher in the Dwight School. (Boys.)

Franklin " Mary H. Ellis, Assistant in the Franklin School.

Sarah A. Cate, Head Assistant in the Franklin School.

Hancock Dist. Amelia M. Bell, in a Primary School, Hancock District.

Lawrence " Sarah V. Cunningham and Elizabeth Hill, in Primary Schools in the Lawrence District.

Lawrence Sch. Martha A. Smith, Head Assistant in the Lawrence School.

New Quincy Sch. House. Report of Com. on Sch. Houses, thereon.

The Committee on School Houses, to whom was referred an Order recommending the erection, upon the site of the late Quincy School House, of a new School-house, with six rooms on a floor, and to be three stories in height, beg leave to Report: - That, when that School house was burnt, it was suggested to the Committee of the Quincy School District that, possibly, new foundations would be required for a new School house, and that they had better ascertain if the locality and the old plan of building were suited to their wants. The Quincy District Committee,

March 1. 1859. by their Order, as above, are satisfied with the location, but wish for fourteen rooms instead of twelve, with six rooms on a floor, the building to be of three stories in height.

Your Committee have the opinion of persons competent to judge, that the foundations of the old school house are sufficient for a new superstructure, and that a portion of the walls can remain; that the building can be reconstructed with fourteen rooms and a hall; that other improvements can be made, with greater security from danger by fire than in the old building; that it can be finished by the Autumn of this year, and at a saving of some $20,000 to the City Exchequer by using the present ground plan. Plans have been made for a building of three stories, with six rooms on a floor, but, on the present lot of land, the twelve rooms would be insufficiently lighted.

They therefore recommend the reconstruction of the Quincy School House on the present foundations, with such increased number of rooms and other improvements as are needed.

For the Committee. R. W. Cooper, Chairman.

Order passed.

Ordered: That the City Council be requested to rebuild the Quincy School House, lately destroyed by fire, making fourteen Class rooms, and a hall; the building to be warmed and ventilated and furnished, and made to conform in all respects, as nearly as possible, to the present approved plan of School-Houses. Read, accepted, and the Order passed.

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Out-of-School Lessons: Report of Com. on Rules & Regulations thereon.

The Committee on Rules and Regulations, to whom was refered an Order - laid over from last year - directing an inquiry whether any changes in the Regulations is needed so as to prevent the assignment of too long lessons out of School, or to check the spirit of emulation between the different Schools, which might impair the health of the Children, respectfully Report:- That they have given attention to the subject refered to them, believing it to be one in which the public mind is at this time interested; as it must always be of importance to all thoughtful parents. After many inquiries in regard to the operation of existing Rules in the great majority of our Public Schools, the Committee have not heard of any general complaint that the strain on the pupils is too hard. This may be the case in here and there an individual School or class; but there is no evidence that it is thought that this is an evil in all our Public Schools, or in the most of them, or in a very large number of them. General Rules & Regulations must be framed with reference to the average condition of the Schools; and looking to this average condition your committee do not think it would well to lower the standard of study and requirement. They believe it is the duty of the Sub-Committee of each School to carry out our general Rules in the most wholesome manner, and to apply the check, or the spur, as each individual case may require. It is fully in their power, &

March 1. 1859. is manifestly their duty, to see that lessons of excessive length are abridged, and that an unhealthy excitation be restrained. The responsibility here involved must be left with them. We do not see how it can be relieved by any alteration of our Rules. There is this further reason for allowing them to remain as they are, that it is much easier to lower a too high standard, in order to meet the necessities of a few cases, than it is to raise a too low standard in the great majority of schools. Your Committee report that no changes are called for of the kind alluded to in the Order under consideration. All of which is respectfully submitted.

Henry A. Miles, Chairman.

Read, and, on motion of Mr. Plummer, laid on the table.

School Hours. Report of Com. on Rules and Regulations thereon.

The Committee on Rules & Regulations, to whom was referred an Order to consider the expediency of amending Section 3d, Chap. 8, so that from the first Monday in May to the first Monday in October the Grammar and Primary Schools shall commence their morning sessions at 9 o'clock, and close at 12 o'clock, - respectfully Report: - That, in their judgment, the expediency of the proposed change turns on the question, "Which is the best hour for study, the cool of the morning or the heat of noon?" In the Summer season it is a long space of time between breakfast and nine o'clock; and it is believed to be the best that pupils should enter the schools be-

fore their minds are so much interested in their sports as they would be if they had an additional hour to give to them in the morning. March 1. 1859.

Your Committee recommend that the proposed change be not made. All of which is respectfully submitted. Henry A. Miles, Chairman.

Read, and accepted.

The Committee on Elections, to whom were referred certain Certificates of Election, having examined and considered the same, Report:- That your Committee find that the said several certificates (with the exception hereinafter mentioned,) appear to be in due form, and presumptive evidence of the title of the persons therein named, to the office of members of the School Committee from the second Monday in January, A. D. 1859, respectively; viz:- For the term of three years: Certificates of Election: Report of Committee on Elections.

Ward 1.	Adino B. Hall	Ward 7.	Charles L. Homans
	William A. Krueger		John C. Moore
Ward 2.	John Noble	Ward 8.	Thomas M. Brewer
	Samuel J. Cobb		Richard M. Hodges
Ward 3.	E. D. G. Palmer.	Ward 9.	John P. Putnam
Ward 4.	Loring Lothrop	Ward 10.	S. J. M. Homer
	George Bartlett		
Ward 5.	Elis Norcross	Ward 11.	Frederic T. Thayer
	J. R. Marvin		Charles W. Tuck
Ward 6.	John C. Stockbridge	Ward 12.	Thomas Dawes
			Choate Burnham.

And, for the term of two years, for Ward No. 12. John

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Report continued. Committee on Elections.

Duncan, in place of William Dickinson, resigned. And for the term of one year, for Ward No. 5, H. A. S. Miles, in place of Arthur H. Ponz, resigned. William E. Coale, in place of Joseph L. Bates, resigned. For Ward No. 11. William H. Learned Jr. in place of Luther Parks Jr. resigned.

The aforementioned exception is in the case of a certificate as from officers of Ward No. 9. stating the year as that in which the election was held, to have been Anno Domini 185. Further than this there is no indication of any date or time, on the certificate, or about it, whatever.

It has been well decided that a certificate or return which does not specify the year in which the election was held, or the certificate given, is insufficient. Manifestly, also, it cannot satisfy by stating only a year which has gone by on the current of time more than sixteen centuries. Failing the certificates, therefore, the evidence next in order admissable for the case is the record of the elections, kept by the Clerk of this Ward. From an inspection of that record, in possession of the person, - Mr. George B. Brown, - who acted as Clerk of said Ward therefor, your Committee find that, at the regular meeting of the Inhabitants of said Ward No. 9, held on Monday, the thirteenth day of December, 1858, Edward K. Immidown was duly elected a member of the School Committee for the lawful term of three years then next ensuing. Your Committee,

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therefore, are of the opinion that he is entitled to his seat as a member of this Board accordingly.

All which is respectfully submitted.

J. S. Plimpton, Chairman.

Read and accepted.

Text Books: Legislative action relative to: - Remonstrance against, by the School Committee

Dr. Lothrop, from the Committee on Text Books, read a statement of facts relative to a Bill, now before the Legislature of the State, relating to the text-books, and the changes in the same, in the Public Schools, and offered the following Orders, which were adopted unanimously; viz. -

Ordered, That the President of this Board be authorized and instructed to send a communication to the Hon. Senate, and House of Representatives, respectfully remonstrating, on the part of this Board against the passage of a "Bill relating to School Books and changes in the same", now before their Hon. Bodies, - requesting that the Bill may be recommitted to the Committee on Education, with instructions to grant the Remonstrants a hearing.

Ordered, That, in case a hearing should be granted, the Committee on Text Books, and the Superintendent of Public Schools, be authorized to appear before the Committee on Education and present objections to the Bill.

Semi-annual Report.

The Standing Committee on Music have attended to the duty assigned

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Committee on Music

bers, by the Rutland respectfully beg leave to make the following Report: That they find the Music teachers engaged in their work, and an increasing degree of interest manifesting itself among the pupils in the study and practice of Vocal Music. This they attribute, in part at least, to the happy and successful result of the festival at the conclusion of the last school-year; and they hope, at the next semi-annual Report to be able to record still greater improvement and results.

In behalf of the Committee.
William Read, Chairman.

Read and accepted.

Annual School Festival: Committee on

Ordered, That a Committee of five from this Board be appointed, to act in connection with the Standing Committee on Music, to make preparations for the Annual School Festival to be held in the Boston Music Hall, and to be conducted upon the same general plan of last year. (Com^e. Messrs. Putnam, Stockbridge, Plummer, Zelinski & Brewer.)

Quarterly Reports

Voted, on motion of Dr. Lyman, to hear the Quarterly Reports on the examination and condition of the High and Grammar Schools, and of the Primary Schools in the several Districts; all of which were read and accepted.

Quar^y Report of Sup^t. of Schools.

The Board then listened to the reading, by the Superintendent of Schools, of his Quarterly Report, which the Board then accepted.

On motion of Dr. Russell,

Ordered, That the City Council be respectfully requested to cause the School House in Mason Street to be appropriated for the exclusive use of the Girls High and Normal School. — March 1. 1859 School House in Mason Street.

The following Order was referred to the Committee on Salaries; viz. Ordered, That the salary of Mr. E. P. Whitlock Master in the Dwight School, be placed at the maximum grade allowed to Masters in the Grammar Schools. — E. P. Whitlock's Salary.

Mr. Dawes offered the following, which was refered to the Committee on School Houses: — Ordered, That the second Story of the School house at Washington Village be remodelled after a plan suggested in the Report (quarterly) of the Bigelow District Committee for March 1. 1859. — School House at Washington Village.

Ordered, That the Primary Schools in the Franklin School District be supplied with Desks according to their respective grades. Refered to the Committee on School Houses. — Seats & Desks in Franklin District.

Dr. Lothrop offered the following: — Ordered, That the following works be furnished to the English High School, as books of Reference; viz. Findlays Classical Atlas, Smith's Dictionary of Antiquities, Böckhs Public Economy of Athens, Griffin's Cyclopedia of Universal Biography, edited by Rich, and — English High School: Books of Reference for.

March 1, 1859. The Encyclopedia of American Literature. Referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Wm. H. Knights Salary. Dr. Lyman offered the following: — Ordered, That the sum of $100.00 being the amt. of One Quarter's salary to this date, — be allowed to Miss E. J. Knight, late teacher in the Bowman School. Referred to the Committee on Salaries, together with the Quarterly Report of the Committee on that School District.

New School House for the Dwight District. The following was referred to the Committee on School Houses, viz. — Ordered, That the City Council be requested to build, on the lot reserved for the purpose, a new School House for the accommodation of the pupils in the Dwight School District.

Hawkins St to be Macadamized. Ordered, That the City Government be requested to cause Hawkins Street to be macadamized in front of the Mayhew School House.

Mayhew School House: alterations in. Ordered, That the Committee on School Houses be requested to consider the expediency of altering the Mayhew School House, according to the plan suggested in the Quarterly Report, or in the manner that may seem to them the most appropriate.

Lyman District; The following Order was referred to the Committee on School Houses, viz. — Ordered, That a new Primary

School be organized in the Lyman District, and that the City be requested to furnish a room for the same.

March 1. 1859. New Primary School in.

The following Order was referred to the Committee on School Houses; viz, Ordered, That the City Government be requested to make provisions for the erection of a Primary School House in that portion of the Quincy District east of Tyler Street and north of Kneeland Street, and, as near as may be, equidistant from the Primary School House in Tyler Street and that in East St. Place.

Quincy Dist^t: New Primary School House asked for.

Ordered, That the Quincy District Committee be authorized to establish two new primary Schools, as soon as suitable provisions can be made for their accommodation.

Quincy District: New Primary Schools wanted.

Ordered, That a select Committee of five be nominated by the Chair, to take into consideration what changes, if any, may be required in the boundaries of the Winthrop, Franklin, Dwight, Boylston and Brimmer School Sections; and, also, to report what action of the Board is necessary, to relieve the present crowded condition of the Winthrop School. Messrs. Brewer, Crafts, Riley, Chandler and Lyman were appointed that Committee.

Winthrop Sc. School Sections: - Boundaries of

On motion of Mr. Dean, -

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to make such alterations in the Hawes School-

Hawes School House: Alterations in.

March 1, 1859. House, as soon as the Grammar School is removed to the new Building, as will be necessary to fit it for the accommodation of Primary Schools.

Lincoln School. Ordered, — on motion of Mr. Dean, — That the new School-house on Broadway, South Boston, together with the School which is to occupy it, be called the Lincoln School, in honor of the present Mayor of the City.

Transfer of Miss G. Taylor. Mr. Crafts read the petition of Miss Gertrude Taylor, teacher in the Eliot School, asking to be transferred to the Dwight School; and offered the following Order, — which passed: — viz.

Ordered, That Miss Gertrude Taylor be transferred from the Eliot to the Dwight School, in accordance with her petition.

Superintendent's Report. On motion of Mr. Putnam: —

Ordered, That the Committee on Rules & Regulations consider and report on the expediency of the changes recommended in the Report of the Superintendent of Schools.

School Hours for afternoon. On motion of Mr. Putnam: —

Ordered. That the Committee on Rules and Regulations consider the expediency of amending Sect. 3 of Chap. VIII. of the Rules and Regulations so that the afternoon session of the Schools shall be of two hours duration only, without recess, the whole year; the same to commence at 3 o'clock from the first Monday in May to the first Monday in October, and at 2 o'clock from

the first day of October to the first day of May. March 1. 1859.

Ordered,-on motion of Dr. Russell,- That the Committee on Rules and Regulations be requested to consider the expediency of so amending Sect. 22, Chap. IV, of the Rules and Regulations, as to provide for the appointment of an Annual Examining Committee, whose duty it shall be to make an annual examination of all the Grammar Schools, according to the former practice of this Board. Annual Examining Committee.

On motion of Dr. Read, the petition of Charles Butler, - refered, Dec. 28/58, to the next Board, to be re-imbursed for the loss of his Piano at the fire of the Quincy School House, was refered to the Committee on Accounts. Butler, Charles. Petition of.

On motion of Dr. Hall. -

Ordered, That the Committee on Public Buildings be requested to furnish new Primary School-Rooms with Seats and Desks; and as soon as practicable, substitute such seats and desks for the present objectionable Chairs in all the Primary School Rooms. Seats & Desks in Primary Schools.

On motion of Mr. Plummer,

Ordered, That the Committee on Accounts, of this Board, be authorized and requested to confer with the Joint Standing Committee on Public Instruction, of the City Council, in relation to the amount of Money required to defray the Expenses of this Board for the current year. School Expenses: - Committee on Accounts to confer with Com. on Pub. Instruction as to.

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Vocal Drill.

Voted, - on motion of Dr. Brewer, - to refer the Opinion of the City Solicitor, on the subject of Instruction in the Vocal Drill &c, to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Miss Hall's Services.

Ordered, That Mary C. Hall be paid $27.50 for four and one half weeks services as substitute in the Lexington Street Primary School, (Chapman District.

Refered to the Committee on Salaries.

Adjourned.

Attest:

Barnard Capen, Secretary.

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A Meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held at the City Hall, on Monday, March 21. 1859, at four o'clock P.M. for the purpose, in Convention with the Mayor and Aldermen, of filling vacancies in the School Committee, occasioned by the resignations of N. J. Bean, of Ward 3, and James W. Stone, of Ward 6; and, also, by order of the President, for the transaction of any other business that might come before the Meeting.

Members absent.

Present. — The whole Board, except Messrs. Coale, Cudworth, Lewis, Lothrop, of Ward Four, Lyman, and the President of the Common Council.

Convention: vacancy filled.

The Chair read the concurrence of the Board of Aldermen in the proposition for a Convention of the two Boards for the purpose above-named. Agreeably to assignment the Convention was held. The Chair appointed Alderman Holbrook, and Messrs. Hazelton & Dean, a Committee to collect the votes and report the result. Proceeded to fill the vacancy in Ward 3; when it appeared that the whole No. of votes was 51; that Daniel P. Simpson had 50, and was elected. Proceeded to fill the vacancy in Ward 6; when it appeared that the whole No. of votes was 60; all for Russell Sturgis Jr., who was declared elected.

The business of the

March 21, 1859. Convention having been accomplished, the two Boards separated.

Teachers nominated. The following Teachers were nominated as being on probation, viz, —

Adams School. Sarah J. Cooke, an Assistant in the Adams School.

Eliot " Flora A. Holbrook Assistant in the Eliot School.

Hancock " Elizabeth W. Ayer, Assistant in the Hancock School.

Winthrop " Kate E. (or L.) Perigo, and Mary G. Ladd, Assistants in the Winthrop School.

State Scholarships: Report of Committee. The Committee on State Scholarships respectfully Report:— That they have had two meetings for the examination candidates.

At the first meeting no candidates presented themselves. At the second, two candidates appeared, viz. Mr. J. Wesley Bowden of East Boston, a member of the Sophomore Class in Harvard College, and J. H. Whitney, of Ward 11, who will be fitted to enter College at the next Commencement.

The Committee found both these young gentlemen qualified for the Scholarships, according to law, and voted, unanimously, to recommend them to this Board for its approbation. They, therefore submit the accompanying Order.

For the Committee, John Codman

Ordered. That this Board recommend to the Board of Education, as suitable candidates for State Scholarships, J. Wesley Bowden, of Ward 2, for the Class of 1859; and J. H. Whitney, of Ward 11, for the Class of 1859.

Read, and accepted, and the Order passed.

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Dr. Hooper, from the Committee on School Houses, reported the following Order; and the same passed; viz. —

New School-House in Dwight District.

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to erect a Grammar School House on the lot upon Pembroke and Brookline Streets which has been reserved for that purpose.

Report of Com. on Salaries.

Dr. Palmer, from the Committee on Salaries, reported on matters which had been referred to that Committee, by recommending the passage of the two following Orders, which were adopted; viz. —

L. A. Wheelock's Salary.

Voted, That the salary of Mr. L. A. Wheelock, recently appointed an Usher in the Dwight School, be placed at the maximum grade allowed Ushers in the Grammar Schools; viz. $1,000. per annum.

Miss Knight's Salary.

Voted, That the sum of $100, be allowed Miss M. S. Knight, late teacher in the Primary School, for the quarter ending March 1. 1859.

Text Books: Report, Committee, on the Legislative enactment in regard to.

The Committee on Text Books respectfully submit the following Report. —

At the last Meeting of the Board the Committee called attention to a Bill, then on its passage through the Legislature, touching "School Books, and changes in the same, in the Public Schools."

In a report then submitted, the Committee enumerated the provisions of the bill, presented, briefly the several objections to these provisions, and

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advised that the Board should respectfully remonstrate against its passage, and ask for a hearing before the Committee on Education, that they might have opportunity for a more full statement of these objections. Orders to this effect were appended to the report, and were unanimously adopted. These orders were executed the next morning by the President of the Board, through a document prepared by him, and placed in the hands of the Senators of Suffolk, by whom it was presented to the Senate, before which body the bill then was.

According to the Records, as presented in the Newspaper reports, no action was taken. The document was read and received, but no proposition was made to refuse or grant the hearing asked for.

The Hon. Senate proceeded at once to the further consideration of the bill, and, after the adoption of some amendments, not materially altering the most objectionable features of the bill, was passed, sent down to the House of Representatives, where the amendments were concurred in. It was then passed to be engrossed, was confirmed by the Governor, and has now become a law. Your Committee cannot but regret that the hearing asked for was not granted. They confess, also, to some feeling of surprise, to use no stronger word, that it was not granted. The School Board of the City of Boston is a body chosen directly by the people, in numbers nearly twice as large as the Senate of Massachusetts, and nearly one-third as large as the House of Representatives. It has charge of the educational

interests of 25,000 children, - nearly one-quarter of all the children attending the public Schools of the Commonwealth, and is responsible for the management of what would be equal to about five hundred of the ordinary or average District Schools of the State. It is entrusted with and is responsible, also, for the expenditure, annually, of between three and four hundred thousand dollars; - a sum reaching into the neighborhood of one quarter of the whole amount raised by tax throughout the whole State for the support of Common Schools. A body thus constituted, with such large interests entrusted, with such weighty responsibilities resting upon them, might seem to have some claim to be heard by the Legislature, through one of its Committees, on a matter touching one of their gravest duties and most important powers and functions of School Committees; a matter, also, affecting very directly the interests of the Schools; of which interests the members of this Board, from personal knowledge and experience, are probably as competent to judge, as most of the members of the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives. At least, the unanimous request of such a body to be heard would seem to be entitled to something more than silent neglect. When refused it is some comfort to know the grounds of the refusal, especially when the request is obviously reasonable, and the refusal, without explanation, obviously the reverse.

Some of the objectionable features of the bill were modified by the amendments of the Senate; some

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were untouched; none of them were entirely removed.

The most important and essential, of motives features of the bill, as enacted into a law, is its violation of the great principle that underlies and pervades our whole county and government, and our civil institutions and associated action; viz. the principle that the majority shall rule, and their will control. This principle the new law of Text-Books violates, and in relation to matter which may, at times, very closely affect the interests and progress of the Schools, and the improvement of the pupils. It takes from the majority of any School Committee of the State the power to act, to control; and gives that power to the minority, or rather divides it, virtually, between the minority and the writers, owners and publishers of school books.

Your Committee cannot see the wisdom, the expediency or the justice of taking from the majority the power to control, and they think that every School Committee in the State might, with propriety, place upon its records a protest against this principle of the law, as a violation of important rights.

As the law is to take effect from and after its passage, some order of this Board seems to be necessary, to meet the first section of the bill, which requires the School-Committees to provide for the purchase of the Books by the children at a price merely remunerative; and, to this end, to have depositories of them at certain specified place or places, and give notice of the same, with the cost of each. To this end the Committee submit the following Order.

Respectfully submitted.

S. K. Lothrop.

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Order appended to Report.

Ordered, That the Committee on Text Books make arrangements with certain booksellers, or other traders, in different parts of the City, in such number and places as may be found necessary and convenient, to keep on hand a supply of text-books used in the Public Schools of the City, and to furnish them to the children at the lowest price at which they can be obtained; - the price of each text-book to be fixed and published, for the information of teachers and pupils, with the places where the books may be obtained. On motion of Dr. Hooper it was

Voted to accept the Report, and that it be printed in one or more of the daily papers.

The Order, on motion of Mr. Marvin, was then laid on the table.

Butler, Charles, Petition of. Report Committee on Accounts relative to.

The Committee on Accounts respectfully Report: - That the School Committee have no authority to grant the petition of Charles Butler, Teacher of Music in the Quincy School, for remuneration for the loss of a piano-forte, which was destroyed by fire, at the burning of the Quincy School House, on the night of Dec. 3d.

Books of Reference for Eng. High School.

They also report the following Order: - Ordered: That Lindlay's Classical Atlas, Smith's Dictionary of Antiquities, Bockh's Public Economy of Athens, Griffin's Cyclopedia of Universal Biography, edited by Rich, and the Encyclopedia of American Literature, be furnished as books of Reference to the English High School.

Respectfully submitted.

John B. Alley, Chairman.

Accepted, & Order passed.

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Minority Report of Com. on Rules & Regulations on C. to School Lessons

The Committee on Rules and Regulations (to whom was referred an Order of inquiry as to the necessity of a change in the existing regulations - to prevent the assignment of too long lessons to be conned out of School,") having reported to the Board that no change in existing rules is necessary, which report now lies upon the table, - the undersigned, a member of said Committee, dissenting from the opinion thus expressed by a majority of his associates, asks leave to submit a Minority Report: —

That some children may be tasked out of school without trenching on health, is undoubtedly true, but the expediency of a rule, requiring such application from all pupils indiscriminately, is very questionable. The existing Rule, Chapter x. Sec. 7. - provides that boys may be required to study out of school, whilst girls are exempted. The reason for this exemption is not apparent. It would seem that the girl, whose place at home is by the fireside, might be required to study there, whilst her brothers services are required out of doors, and, may be, is paid of the family.

That there have been complaints by both parents and pupils, on account of the tasks imposed on the latter by their teachers, is well known.

A bright lad lately informed a member of your Committee that his lessons out of school demanded more than one hours study.

Five hours' devotion to books each day in Winter, and six hours in Summer, is deemed by your Committee

as much as should be required of any pupil; the residue of his time to be disposed of under the direction of his parents or guardians. Let the scholar feel when he leaves the school-house, that he is free from lessons till the next session. c. Mayor 21.1859.

Minority Report continued.

Recognizing a necessity for physical as well as mental and moral culture, your Committee have much faith in the skates, the sled, the kite, the ball, the marbles; but still more in the exercise and free air enjoyed with their use.

They therefore recommend an amendment of Chap. X, Sect. 7, as follows, viz: - Strike out all before the word "no" in the fourth line, and also the word girls in the fifth line, and insert "pupils of either sex." The Section will then read as follows: -

Sect. 7. No out of school lessons shall be assigned to pupils of either sex, nor shall the lessons to be studied in school be so long as to require a scholar of ordinary capacity to study out of school in order to learn them. All of which is respectfully submitted. (signed) Newham Plummer.

A motion by Mr. Plummer, to substitute the Minority for Majority Report, was lost. The Majority Report was then accepted. (see page 11)

Dr. Lothrop presented a petition of parents and guardians of pupils in the English High School to have but one session of that school, daily, throughout the year. Voted to refer the subject to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

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Church Home &c. text-books for children of.

Dr. Hooper offered the following; viz-

Ordered, That text books be furnished, at the expense of the city, to the children of the Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children who attend the Public Schools. Referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Fitzpatrick John B. communication of.

The Chair read a communication from Bishop John B. Fitzpatrick, relative to the difficulties which had recently occurred between the teachers and Catholic pupils in some of our Schools; and, also, in regard to the objections felt and made by Catholics against certain articles of the Regulations of the Public Schools. Pending a discussion as to the proper disposition of the communication, or of the subject alluded to therein, Mr. Smith moved an indefinite postponement of the matter, which motion was carried.

The Meeting thereupon dissolved

Attest.

Barnard Capen, Secretary.

A Meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held at the City Hall, on Tuesday, the fifth day of April, 1859, at 4 o'clock P.M. In the absence of the President of the Board the President of the Common Council occupied the Chair. The hour for which the meeting was called having arrived, and no quorum being present, the the Secretary called the Roll, when it appeared that the following named gentlemen were absent, viz.:- Messrs. Armidown, Brewer, Burnham, Chandler, Coale, Cobb, Codman, Endicott, Dawes, Dean, Dearborn, E. C. Drew, Dyer, Ellis, Hazelton, Homans, Homer, Hooper, Kimball, Krueger, Marvin, Miner, Noble, Parker, Plimpton, Plummer, Putnam, Read, Riley, Russell, Sanborn, Stack, Smith, Stockbridge, Sykes, Thayer, Townsend, Turner, and Woodbury. Of the above, all but the following appeared and took their seats; viz. Messrs. Brewer, Endicott, Drew, Homer, Kimball, Krueger, Marvin, Parker, Plummer, Putnam, Read, Riley, Russell, Sanborn and Woodbury. April 5, 1859. No Quorum. Roll called.

Confirmations

Sarah F. Cooke was confirmed as an Assistant in the Adams School. Adams School

Sarah V. Cunningham was confirmed as a Primary Teacher in the Lawrence District. Lawrence District.

Dr. Shurtleff presented a petition signed by the teachers, and by parents or guardians representing 167 pupils, of the Latin School, asking that, during Latin School; School Hours.

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the months of June, July, and September there shall be but one session of that school on each school-day; and that, for the remainder of the year, there be two sessions. The petition was referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Report of Com. on Rules & Regulations.

The Committee on Rules & Regulations, to whom were referred several Orders, as also the entire body of the Rules and Regulations of the last year, respectfully Report upon all the subjects submitted to their consideration, as follows:—

Taking up the subjects in the order in which they have been brought to our notice, the first is Section 3. Chap. VIII,— in regard to which we were directed to consider the expediency of so amending it that the afternoon session shall be of two hours' duration only, commencing at 3 o'clock in Summer, and at 2 o'clock in Winter. The Committee do not recommend this change, believing that the great body of the pupils in the Grammar and Primary Schools are under more wholesome influences in the school-houses than they would be in the streets, during the hour in question. It is not doubted that an additional hour at mid-day for rambling the streets, would send serious anxieties to thousands of families; while it is to be remembered that, in the cold season of the year the homes of a very large number of children are not so comfortable as are our well-warmed school-houses. The Committee, therefore, unanimously approve of the rule as it now stands.

School Hours.

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"Annual Examining Committee."

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations continued.

Section 22, Chap. IV. is the next one brought to our notice; in regard to which we are directed to consider the expediency of providing that, together with the annual examination of the Grammar Schools, each by its own Committee, there shall be an annual examination of all of them by a Special Committee, according to a former practice of this Board.

In giving their attention to this subject, the Committee felt that there are reasons which recommend the measure proposed.

Under existing regulations the members of this Board know little of the Schools of Boston beyond those of which they happen to have the charge. Hence, there is nothing to serve as a common standard, by which improvements adopted in one school would immediately find their way to all other Schools; or defects which had gradually crept into one, would be remedied by a comparison with all the rest. There are points of observation which intimate noticiable differences in the progress of different schools. Such intimations are afforded by an examination for admission into the Girls' High and Normal School. Coming from the same grade of schools, some are admirably fitted, and some are totally unqualified, for admission; and the fact prompts the inquiry, Cannot this Board, through a Committee, have a guiding and quickening influence over all the Schools at once?

The obvious difficulty in the way is, the amount of labor required of one Committee to visit all the Gram-

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mar Schools. It would be needful for them to do something more than examine a show-class. Indeed, were it understood that comparisons were to be made according to the attainments of the first classes in the Grammar Schools, more evil might result than good. Teachers would feel that their character, perhaps the occupancy of their office, depended upon bringing the first Class up to the highest possible point. To this the whole strain of the School would soon tend. Good scholars might be retained, bad scholars might be worked off; a system of examining might be resorted to; - at least, we should be opening a wide door to temptations of this kind.

An examination, therefore, that should accomplish good results, should be extended over the whole School, with a view of ascertaining whether, in all its departments, it comes up to an ideal standard which a Committee would soon set up in their minds as practicable and essential; - whether the general arrangements of the School were wise, its time well laid out, and a spirit of conscientious faithfulness and earnestness pervaded every part of this living organization. Even after such a thorough examination all comparisons of one School with another would be among the most difficult and delicate things which any Committee could undertake.

Perhaps the best result that could be reached would be the extended observation, and broad enlightened views of education, which would be offered to the Examining Committee; - from whom, in other ways than by

public comparisons of school with school, this whole Board and all our schools at large might derive many valuable suggestions.

To effect such an examination as is here alluded to, four weeks of time would be required.

It is believed to be almost impossible to find the gentlemen, members of this Board, possessing the high and rare qualifications to serve on such a Committee, who can give that amount of time to this service. As a substitute, the use of printed questions, distributed alike to all the Gramma Schools, has been named. Your Committee have given this point their consideration. On the whole, it has failed to commend itself to their approval. It would lead, they fear, to all the evils adverted to of stimulating and cramming the First Classes of our Grammar Schools. And then, such a purely mathematical and mechanical contrivance makes no allowance for the different materials in the Grammar Schools, as seen, for instance, in Pinckney Street and on Fort Hill. It makes the same demands of all. In view of the whole case the Committee would suggest that, as the plan of having a special committee to visit all the Schools was dropped on the appointment of a Superintendent of the Public Schools, so we must look to that officer to further all the ends which a Visiting Committee would accomplish. In visiting all the Schools of the city it is properly his duty to carry improvements from one School to another, and to make

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suggestions, which shall lead to the correction of defects.

We cannot be said to be without some bond connecting the Board with all the Schools alike, so long as we are favored with a competent and faithful Supt. intendent, and, to his quarterly Reports, and to the various channels through he can mould our educational interests, must we look for those enlightened and quickening influences which shall act upon all our Schools at once. The Committee, therefore, do not recommend the appointment of a Special Visiting Committee.

"No. of pupils to a teacher"

The next topic referred to your Committee, was some suggestions made in the last quarterly Report of the Superintendent, touching the number of pupils to be assigned to each teacher. This subject has more than a chance connection with that just discussed.

It is, itself, an illustration of the manner in which the Office of Superintendent supplies the place of a general Visiting Committee. From his wide acquaintance with all our Schools, the Superintendent brings up to our consideration a point which vitally concerns the welfare of all of them; and rarely has a point of more importance invited our careful attention.

According to Section 3. Chap. 10th, each School is allowed a teacher for every sixty pupils on the Register; the presumption, no doubt, being that, as, in this appointment, one head-assistant is not counted, and the daily absences must be considerable, each teacher will have, probably, less than sixty in its class.

Perhaps this was not an injudicious arrangement a few years ago. A greatly diminished per-centage

of absences seems to make it an injudicious arrange- April 5. 1859.
ment now. A few years ago the per-centage of absen- Report of
ces was 16. The per-centage of absences now is 9. This is Committee on
a gain of seven per cent, and should allow us, in Rules and
one of our large Grammar Schools, an additional Regulations,
teacher, in order that the number of pupils un- continued.
der each teacher may be no greater now, than it "No. of Pupils
was a few years ago. Your Committee believe that to a teacher."
the classes in our Grammar Schools are too large.
Where the intention is to divide these classes as nearly
equally as possible, they run up, in a large num-
ber of cases, to 63, 64, 65, and, in several instances,
as high as 70, and 72. This is contrary to what
has hitherto been the settled policy of this Board,
and to what can be well maintained on grounds
of abstract expediency. We accordingly recom-
mend that fifty-six — a convenient multiple — be
assumed as the number of pupils for each teacher;
and that, hereafter, in furnishing school rooms,
no more than fifty-six seats shall be in one room
occupied by one teacher; and only that number
of additional seats for each additional teacher. A
rule embracing this provision will be appended to
this Report.

The expediency of introducing into our Primary Schools "Instruction
some extra instruction in Vocal drill, is the next in the
subject on the list of matters referred to your Vocal Drill."
Committee. Some doubt arising last year whether
the School Committee had power to make appro-
priations to "teach the teachers," the opinion of the

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"Instruction in Vocal Drill."

City Solicitor was obtained, who says, if the purpose of the appropriation be to benefit the teachers, and not the pupils, this doubt would be well founded; but, if the School Committee think the usefulness of the Schools would be promoted by the introduction into them of a new branch of instruction, and that the mode of instruction contemplated is most economical and expedient, there is no legal obstacle in the way.

At liberty, then, by this official decision, to employ a teacher of Vocal Drill, the question returns as to the expediency of this measure.

Your Committee recommend that the experiment be tried, for a few months, under the oversight and direction of the Superintendent. They accordingly submit for adoption, an Order appropriating Five hundred Dollars to this object. It is not expected that any of this appropriation for this purpose will be called for, as it is believed that a little assistance to all the Primary School Teachers, will enable them to give far more thorough and effectual instruction in Vocalization than they have hitherto afforded.

Mr. Smalley appears to understand this subject in all its details, and, from his lessons which the Committee have attended, they judge that he has great facility in inspiring interest in this study, and in training the vocal organs. He has been employed by School Committees in other places, who bear strong testimony to his success.

The Committee have had before them two petitions; one from the parents and guardians of the pupils of the

English High School, asking that there be but one session of that School throughout the year; the other from the parents and guardians of the pupils of the Latin School, asking that, during the months of June, July & September there shall be but one session upon each school day; but for the remainder of the year there shall be two sessions of this School. Both petitions are very largely signed, and represent a great majority of the parents and guardians of the pupils of each School.

April 5, 1859. "School Hours for Latin & Eng. High Schools." Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations. (continued)

The English High School, by having, as the rule now stands, two sessions from April to November, gains one school hour every day, beyond what it would have with only one session. The arrangement asked for would occasion a loss of one school hour each day for five months; - equivalent to 120 hours, - which is the same as the loss of one school month in a year.

In behalf of the proposed plan, it is argued that the pupils of that School are the oldest of all in the city schools; that they are lads fitting themselves to become clerks in mercantile houses; that they have a degree of self control not possessed by the pupils of the Latin School, who, preparing for College, are generally of a younger age.

It is stated that the average age of the pupils of the pupils of the English High School is at least three years above the average age of those of the Latin School. Moreover, it is said that, coming from all parts of the city, from the North End and the South End, from East Boston and South Boston, the English High School boys find a journey back and forth from their houses to Bedford Street, in the noon of every day, a very serious

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"School Hours for Latin and Eng. High Schools."

inconvenience, and their parents prefer that all their school hours should come together in one session.

The Latin School, by having one session in June, July and September, and two sessions the rest of the year, would gain as many school hours as the English High School would lose; that is to say, it would gain one school hour per day for five months; - a gain of one school month per year. The pupils of this School, it is said, are more generally from the central parts of the city, and belong to families which are usually out of town in the Summer time, to whom, therefore, the convenience of one session in the Summer would be very apparent. Entering upon a preparation for College, there is, with them the highest necessity for school drill. In order to compete advantageously with young men entering College from private schools and rural academies, there is a definite and prescribed amount of work which they must perform; and their teachers believe that that work can be performed more easily and advantageously, by having two sessions a day for the most of the year than by having only one.

Your Committee, without being convinced that the arrangements asked for are the best for the permanent rule of these schools, are yet unwilling to thwart the almost unanimous wishes of the parents and guardians of these pupils. They accordingly recommend that the rules regulating the hours of these schools be suspended for one year. If, upon trial of the plan proposed, all parties should be satisfied with it, our rules can then be altered; but will restore the former customs of these Schools.

unless, meanwhile, experience demonstrates that there is a better way. April 5. 1859.

On our already extended docket there is but one more subject to be presented, and this relates to the arrangement of studies in school hours. It would seem to be advisable, in all cases where it can be done, to bring those studies which most severely tax attention, into that part of the day when the mind is the clearest and brightest. To give an hour of the forenoon to Singing, or Spelling, or drawing, or reading, and an hour of the afternoon to Arithmetic, Geography, or Philosophy, is evidently an appropriation of time not conducive either to bodily health or mental development. The rule obviously should be, give the hardest work in the morning, and the lightest for the afternoon. We remember that it is not possible for teachers, in all cases, to arrange their recitations in conformity with this rule, and it would be unwise to impair that large discretion with which the teacher is properly intrusted. But it may be well to call the attention of all teachers to this subject, and to recommend an arrangement of studies corresponding with the rule here named. The Committee have accordingly prepared a rule which they recommend for adoption. The Committee close their report by offering the following Orders. "Studies: Arangement of, in School hours." Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations. (continued.

Henry A. Miles. Chairman.

Orders appended to above Report.

1. Ordered, That, in Sect. 3. Chap. x. fifty-six be substituted in the place of sixty; and that, at the end of the section, there be added these words:- "In furn-

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ishing School houses, hereafter, no more than fifty six seats shall be in one room occupied by one teacher, and only that number of additional seats for each additional teacher"

2. Ordered, That Mr. D. P. Smalley, be employed to teach the principles of instruction in Vocal Drill to all the Primary Schools in this city, by such illustrations and lessons to the teachers and pupils, as he may be able to give; - the mode and times of instruction to be arranged with Mr. Smalley by the Superintendent; - provided these instructions shall be continued through at least four months, and that the cost of the same shall not exceed the sum of five hundred dollars.

3. Ordered, That the rule in Sect. 7, Chap. XI. be suspended for one year, and that the English High School be allowed to have but one session each day for that time.

4. Ordered, That the rule in Sections 8 & 9, in Chapter XIII. be suspended for one year, and that the Latin School be allowed to have but session in June, July, and September, and to have two sessions for the rest of the year.

5. Ordered, That, to Chap. X. there be added a new Section, to be called Sect. XIII, and to read in these words; - Sect. 13. In all the Grammar Schools, it is recommended that, in the arrangement of the studies and recitations, those which most severely tax the attention and effort of the pupils should, as far as possible, be assigned for the forenoon.

6. Ordered, That the printed Rules and Regulations of the last year, as amended by the above Orders, be adopted as the Rules and Regulations of this Board for the current year. April 5. 1859.

The Board then proceeded to the consideration of the Report:- when the following amendments and changes were made in the printed Rules and Regulations of the Board for the year 1858: viz. — Amendments in Rules & Regulations.

In Chap. I, Sect. 5. line four, erase first and insert second.

In Chap. V, strike out Sect. 1, and insert as follows:

Sect. 1. The School Year shall commence on the first Monday in September, and end on the day immediately preceding the first Monday in Sept^r.

In Chap. VIII, Sect. 3, strike out October, and insert September, in the second and sixth lines.

In Chap. VIII, Sect. 33, in the third line on page 35, strike out the words "stating the cause of," and insert the word "for," instead.

In Chap. X, Sect. 3, second line, insert fifty-six, in place of sixty.

To Chap. X, add a new Section, as follows: —

Sect. 13. It is recommended that, in the arrangement of the studies and recitations in the Grammar Schools, those which most severely task the attention and effort of the pupils be, as far as possible, assigned for the forenoon.

In Chap. XI, strike out Sect. 7, and insert as follows:

Sect. 7. The School shall hold one session, daily,

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In Chap. XIII add the following note to Sections 8 and 9:- Sections 8 and 9 are suspended for one year, and the School is allowed to have but one session daily, in June, July and September, and to have two sessions for the rest of the year

Vocal Drill. The question was taken as to the adoption of the Order (No. 2. of the Report) relative to instruction, by Mr. Smalley, in Vocal Drill, and decided in the negative.

Rules and Regulations adopted. Voted, That the Rules and Regulations of the Board for the year 1858, with the above specified amendments and alterations, be the Rules and Regulations of the Board for the current year.

New Primary School: Lyman Dist.t Dr. Hooper, from the Committee on School Houses, reported the following Order, and the same passed:- Ordered, That a new primary School be established in the Lyman School District, and that the Superintendent of Public Buildings be requested to provide a room for the same.

Amendment of Rules proposed. Chap. V. Sec. IV. Dr. Lyman made the following proposition for amending the Rules and Regulations, viz. to add to Chap. V, Sect. 4. the following: "and the same rule shall be followed in the case of the election of a Sub Master, with the exception that the Committee in whose District the vacancy exists, shall specify the length of time during which the notice shall be given." Refered to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

April 5. 1859. Report of Com. on Elections.

The Committee on Elections, to whom were referred certain certificates of Election, thereon Report: That, upon due examination, the Committee find the same to be in proper form, and presumptive evidence of the title of the persons therein named, to the office of members of the School Committee, respectively as follows: viz., for the term of three years from the second Monday in January, A.D. 1859, for Ward No. 6, J. Baxter Upham. - for Ward No. 10, Enoch C. Rolfe. Respectfully submitted. L. S. Plimpton, Chairman.

Read, and accepted.

Report of Com. on Accounts: - Text Books for Children of Church Home, &c.

The Committee on Accounts respectfully Report: - That, after a careful examination of the Statute providing for the supply of text books for those children whose parents, masters or guardians do not furnish the requisite books, they are of the opinion that it is in the power of this Board to furnish the children of any institution whose inmates attend the Public Schools, with the requisite books. The children belonging to these institutions are taken from families where one or both parents are deceased, or else unable to provide suitable support for their children. The transfer of the child from its home to the institution, does not change its relation to the City, or make it less the duty of the City to furnish the requisite books. The Committee report, therefore, that the Order of the 21st of March, which was referred to them, in regard to the furnishing of text books to the Children of the Church Home, &c.

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Orphan and Destitute Children in Chadis Hist: ought to pass. Respectfully submitted.

John B. Hill.

Read, accepted, and the Ordinance passed. (See pg. 52.)

Vacancies in Committees filled.

The Chair made the following appointments, to fill vacancies caused by the resignations of J. W. Stone, and C. J. Bean; viz. Russell Sturgis jr. on the Committee on Elections, and on the Committees on the Hancock and Phillips School Districts.

Daniel P. Simpson on the Eliot and Hancock School District Committees.

Seats & Desks: No. 4, to one Room.

Mr. Dawes offered the following:-

Ordered, That, in furnishing the School Rooms, hereafter, the number of seats and desks for pupils shall be not exceed sixty to a Room. Laid on the table.

Walker, Cornelius. Application of.

The Chair read a communication from Cornelius Walker, renewing an application to be appointed to instruct in Vocal Drill &c., in the Primary Schools; & the same was placed on file.

Resignation of J. W. Stone.

The Chair read the resignation of John W. Stone, as a member of this Board; whereupon, on motion of Mr. Dow, of Ward 9, it was Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Board of Aldermen, proposing a Convention of both Boards on Monday, the 25th inst. at 4 o'clock P.M. for the purpose of filling said vacancy; & that public notice be given of the fact pursuant to Law.

Convention proposed.

Adjourned.

Attest: Barnard Capen, Secretary.

April 25. 1859.

A Meeting of the School-Committee of the City of Boston was held at the City Hall, on Monday, April 25, 1859, at 4 o'clock P. M. for the purpose, in Convention with the Mayor and Aldermen, of filling a vacancy in the School Committee, occasioned by the resignation of John C. Howe, of Ward 7; and also by order of the President, for the transaction of any other business that might come before the Meeting.

Convention

Agreeably to assignment the convention was held. The Chair appointed Alderman Willis, and Messrs. Kimball and Plummer a Committee to collect and count the votes; who reported that the whole number was 52; of which 1 was for Thomas W. Clark, and 51 for Algernon Coolidge. Mr. Coolidge was accordingly declared chosen. The business of the Convention having been accomplished the two Boards separated.

Vacancy filled

Algernon Coolidge

Teachers confirmed.

The following teachers were nominated & confirmed; Sarah A. Graham, Primary teacher, Bigelow District. Mary E. Moore, Assistant in the Chapman School. Mary E. Hall and Zelinda L. Barnes, Primary teachers in the Chapman District.

Bigelow Dist.
Chapman School
" District.

Nominations.

The following were nominated as being on probation; Mary E. Nichols, Assistant in the Boylston School. W. L. P. Boardman, Sub Master & William Read, Usher, in the Brimmer School.

Boylston Sch. C.
Brimmer "

Mary Jane Meader, Assistant in the Hawes School. Mrs. Elizabeth L. Allen, Primary Teacher in the Lawrence District.

Hawes School
Lawrence Dist.

April 25. 1859.

Winthrop School Section; Boundaries of; Report of Committee on.

Dr. Brown read the Report of the Committee appointed (March 1.) to take into consideration what changes, if any, may be required in the boundaries of the Winthrop, Franklin, Dwight, Boylston, and Bowdoin School Stations &c.

The Committee submitted the following Order: —

Ordered: That the Committee on School Houses be requested to bring to the notice of the City Council, the overcrowded condition of the Boylston and Winthrop Schools, and the need of additional Gramman School accommodations in the Eastern section of the city, at some point not far from the Junction of Purchase and Summer Streets.

On motion of Dr. Lothrop the Report was accepted, and with the Order, ordered to be printed.

Report Com. on Rules & Regns on proposed amendment to Chap. v. Sec. 4.

The Committee on Rules and Regulations, to whom was referred the Order of April 5. 1859. to inquire & report on a proposed addition to Sect. 4, Chap. v, Report, that, in their judgment, it is expedient to adopt the amendment, and they accordingly recommend.

Henry K. Miles. Chairman.

On motion of Dr. Tolman, of Ward 4. the Report was laid on the table.

Lectures by Dr. Solger.

Voted, on motion of Dr. Huntkoff. - to take from the table the Report (of April 27/58) on the subject of Lectures by Dr. Solger, before the teachers and pupils of the Latin, English High, and Girls' High and Normal Schools.

The Report was read, and having been considered by the Meeting, the Order was rejected.

Dr. Lyman offered the two following Orders, both of which were refered to the Committee on Salaries — April 25. 1859.

Ordered, That the Salary of Mr. William Reed, Usher in the Brimmer School, be placed at the maximum grade allowed to Ushers in the Grammar Schools. — Reed, Wm. Salary.

Ordered, That the sum of $24.75 be paid to Miss Helen F. West, for nine days' services in the place of the Usher in the Brimmer School, - from April 11th to April 21st, 1859. — West, H. F. Pay for Services.

Mr. Riley offered the following: — Holiday for the Schools.

Whereas: "May Day," by Section 35, of Chap. VIII, of the Rules, is a holiday, and, this year, occurs on a Sunday, It is, therefore, Voted, That Monday, May 2nd be a holiday, as a substitute therefor. Passed.

Dr. Palmer, of Ward 4, offered the following: — Graduation of pupils, one year under care of the Master

Voted, That all the pupils of the Grammar Schools who shall have been under the care and teaching of the Masters of said Schools for a whole or a part of a year, shall leave, or be graduated from, said Schools at the exhibition next ensuing.

Read, and refered to the Committee on Rules & Regulations.

Dr. Lothrop offered the following: — Amendment proposed to Rules & Regulations.

Ordered, That Section 5, Chap. VIII, of the Rules and Regulations be amended, so as to read as follows: — "The morning exercises in all the Schools shall commence, in each room, with the reading of a portion of Scripture, and the Lord's Prayer, by the Teacher."

Mr. Dyer, moved that the Order be laid upon the

April 25. 1859. table; and, on this motion, called for the yeas and nays. The yeas and nays were ordered, and taken; when the following gentlemen voted viz: viz: Messrs. Chandler, Cobb, Codman, Dean, Dearborn, Duncan, Dyer, Ellis, Fabyan, Greene, Hall, Jarvis, Leonard, Noble, Nutter, Ward 11. Parker, Plimpton, Plummer, Shurtleff, Tuck and Turner. And the following gentlemen voted nay, viz: Messrs. Allen, Allen, Bicknell, Burroughs, Endicott, Dennett, Dow of Ward 8, Haynes, Hodges, Kimball, Lothrop, of Ward 6, Lyman, Marvin, Miles, Riley, Russell, Simpson, Stockbridge, Townsend & Upham. Yeas 21; Nays 20. So the Order was laid on the table.

Yeas and Nays.

Thereupon, the Meeting dissolved.

Attest:

Barnard, Capen, Secretary.

June 7, 1859.

A Quarterly Meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston, and also the Annual Meeting for the Election of Teachers, was held at the City Hall, on Tuesday, the seventh day of June, 1859, at four o'clock P.M. The President in the Chair.

Present: the whole Board, except Messrs. Ammidown, Burroughs, Dean, Hinckley, Jarvis, Keep, Lewis, Putnam, Riley, Sykes and Turner.

Vacancy in Committee filled.

The Chair nominated Mr. Coolidge on the Boylston District Committee, in place of John C. Moore resigned.

Teachers confirmed.

The following teachers were confirmed, having served the usual term of probation; viz. Sarah Farley and Martha J. Coolidge, in Primary Schools, and Harriet N. Lane & Harriet E. Howard, Assistants in the Grammar School, in the Brimmer School District.

Brimmer District

Lucius A. Wheelock, Usher in the Dwight School. — Dwight School.

Elizabeth W. Ayer, Assistant in the Hancock School. — Hancock School

Kate L. Perigo and Mary G. Ladd, Assistants in the Winthrop School. — Winthrop "

Nominations.

The following teachers were nominated to the Board as being on probation: —

Sarah E. Washburn in a primary School in the Adams Dist. — Adams Dist.

Flora A. Holbrook, Assistant in the Eliot School. — Eliot School

Catharine Knapp, Assistant in the Franklin School. — Franklin "

Mrs. Martha B. Goodwin and Miss Kent S. Sawyer, in Primary Schools in the Hancock District. — Hancock District.

June 7. 1859. Laurence Dist. Lyman " Phillips School.

Sarah F. Hall, in a primary School in the Laurence District. Mary H. Crane in a primary school in the Lyman District. Abby Reed, Assistant in the Phillips School.

Report, Com. on Salaries

Dr. Palmer, from the Committee on Salaries, - to whom was referred an Order to pay Miss Helen F. West $24.75, - offered the following Order. -

West, Helen F. Services of.

Ordered. That the sum of Nine dollars be paid to Miss Helen F. West, for nine days' service in the Brimmer School, from April 11 to April 21. 1859. This was amended, so as to read $24.75, instead of $9.00, and then adopted.

Reed, Wm. Salary of.

Dr. Palmer, from the Committee on Salaries, reported in favor of the Order, (April 25) to pay William Reed, Usher in the Brimmer School, the maximum Salary of Ushers in the Grammar Schools. The question was taken on the Order, which was adopted.

Quarterly Reports.

The Quarterly Reports on the examination & condition of the several High and Grammar Schools, and of the Primary Schools in the several Districts, were read and accepted.

Rules and Regulations amended.

Dr. Lothrop offered the following: -

Ordered, That Section 34, Chap. VIII. of the Rules and Regulations be amended, so as to read as follows: viz. -

"There shall be an annual Exhibition of the Latin School on the Saturday preceding the third Wednesday in July; and of the English High School, and the Girls' High and Normal School, on the Monday, and

of the several Grammar Schools on the Tuesday following said Wednesday." The Rules were suspended, to allow immediate action on the Order. The Order was then adopted. June 7. 1859.

The following Orders were refered to the Committee on Salaries: -

Ordered, That $65.00 be paid to Miss Helen M. Banks, for services as Teacher in Saratoga Street, Chapman School District, from Feb. 17. 1859. to May 4th, 1859. Banks, H. M. Services of

Ordered, That Mary Jane Meaders Salary, as Assistant in the Hawes School, commence on the first day of March, 1859; and that it be the maximum salary paid to assistants in the Grammar Schools. Meader, M. J. Salary of.

The following Orders were refered to the Committee on Salaries, who afterwards reported in favor of their passage, when they were accordingly adopted: -

Ordered, That Seventeen Dollars be paid Ellen R. Crosby, for teaching seventeen days in Primary School No. 1, Cooper Street (Hancock District) during the month of May. Crosby E. R. Services of

Ordered, That Five dollars be paid to Miss M. L. McLoud, for five days' services as Substitute, Dec. 21st, 22nd 27th 28th & 29th - in Primary School No. 1 Saratoga Street. (Chapman District) McLoud M. L. - Services of.

Ordered, That the sum of Ninety three dollars be allowed Mary H. Crane, for services as Teacher Crane M. H. Services of.

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in a Primary School in Webster Street, (Adams District) from January 3d to April 27th, 1859. - this being a period of ninety three school days.

New Primary School - Lawrence District.

Mr. French offered the following: -

Ordered, That there be a new Primary School established in the Lawrence District. Read, & referred to the Committee on School Houses.

Mayhew District Primary School accommodations in.

Dr. Homans offered the two following Orders, both of which passed, viz. -

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to lease, purchase, or erect, a building suitable for Primary Schools somewhere in the vicinity of Cross and Hanover Streets.

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to provide two rooms, in the neighborhood of Hanover Street, for the use of the Primary Schools at present in the Mayhew School House.

Winthrop District. New Primary School wanted.

Dr. Brewer offered the following: -

Ordered, That the Winthrop District Committee be authorized to establish an additional Primary School in that District; and that the Committee on Public Buildings be requested to furnish the South East corner of the basement of the building in East Street with sixty additional seats and desks. Read, & referred to the Committee on School Houses.

East Dist.

Ordered, That a new primary School be established in

in the Eliot School District. Read, and referred to the Committee on School Houses. — June 7. 1859. New Primary Sch.

The Superintendent of Schools read his Quarterly Report, which was accepted. — Superintend^ts Report.

Dr. Hooper, from the Committee on School Houses, reported the following Order, and the same passed: — Ordered, That a new primary school be established in the Lawrence School District. — Lawrence Dist^t. New Primary School.

The Committee on Rules and Regulations, to whom was referred an Order of this Board directing them to consider the expediency of providing that "all the pupils of the Grammar Schools who shall have been under the care and teaching of the Masters of said Schools for a whole or a part of a year, shall leave or be graduated from said Schools at the Exhibition next ensuing," — have had the same under consideration and would Report: — Report, Com. on Rules & Regulations: Graduation of pupils from Schools.

It is not doubted that pupils are sometimes retained in the first classes in the Grammar Schools too long; that is, beyond the time when their own good, and the good of the Schools, require that they should leave, and enter the English High School, or the Girls' High and Normal School. The only doubt in the mind of your Committee is, whether the evil can be well removed by such a summary rule as is here contemplated, which makes no allowance for peculiar cases which will frequently arise

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such as where pupils have recently moved into the city, and are but poorly fitted to enter the High Schools, or at least could improve the opportunities there afforded, to much better advantage if they retained a longer connection with the Grammar School. There is another class of cases that deserve consideration;- that of pupils not in robust health, hardly strong enough to go to the more distant High School, but who would be greatly favored by a longer connection with the Grammar School. Such a rule as that here proposed would cut right through all these cases in an unfeeling manner, and, perhaps, deprive many of the only education which they could possibly receive. Your Committee do not believe that, in the infinitely varied circumstances of a class of fifty or sixty pupils, one sweeping and unbending rule can, in the case before us, be properly administered. We must trust a great deal to the discretion of the guardians of the School; and as it has been thought that the Grammar Masters are strongly tempted, for various reasons, to retain their pupils longer than they should, it seems to your Committee that the proper correction should be applied by the District Committee of each School. They accordingly recommend that a new Section be added to Chap. X. to be called Section 14th, & that it read as follows:-

Sect. 14. It shall be the duty of the Committee of each Grammar School, at the beginning of each School-year, either at a special meeting, called for this purpose, or through their Chairman, previously authorized to act

in their name, to superintend the organization of the First Class, and to see that none are retained members thereof who ought to join the English High School, or the Girls' High and Normal School. June 7, 1859.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Henry A. Miles, Chairman.

Read, accepted, and the amendment adopted.

Mr. Dawes offered the following Order, & the same was refered to the Committee on School Houses: — Bigelow District; Additional accommodations for.

Ordered, That a new School House be built at Washington Village; or, that the present building be so extended as to give four adequate rooms on each floor.

The Committee on Text-Books, in conformity to the 6th. Section of Chap. IV. of the Rules and Regulations, which requires that "this Committee shall examine the course of studies prescribed for the Schools, and shall recommend to the Board, at the Quarterly Meeting in June, such improvements in the course of instruction, and such changes in the books used in the Schools, as they may deem expedient," — respectfully submit their Report: — The Committee think that some changes in the text-books in the Primary Schools are very desirable, and should be made; but, as the present law of the State requires that no changes of this kind shall be made, unless recommended by two-thirds of the Text-Book Committee, and, as this Committee have been unable to Text-Books: Annual Report of Comm^ee on

June 7. 1859. get at that precise division of their body - which consists of five - without the mental and moral division of some one of their members, which no one knows how to accomplish, and no one was willing to submit to, and as, consequently, the requisite majority could not be obtained, the Committee do not recommend the changes referred to.

The present law of the State seems to cover only the cases of the changes of text-books already in the Schools, but not the introduction of new studies and new text-books; such introduction can be legally recommended by a majority of the Committee on Text Books, and indeed by a majority of the Board. Therefore a majority of the Committee recommend that instruction in Physiology and Hygiene be resumed in the First Class of the Grammar Schools, & that Hooker's Primary Physiology be the text-book used. There is no instruction given to the Fourth Class in the Grammar Schools, in Geography. It is believed that, with a suitable text book, this study might be profitably pursued by this Class. The Committee recommend that Geography be taught to the Fourth Class in our Grammar Schools, and that the text book for the purpose be Warren's Primary Geography. Respectfully submitted, J. K. Lothrop, for the Committee

Hooker's Physiology. Ordered. That Hooker's Primary Physiology be introduced as a text book for the study of Physiology and Hygiene in the First Class in the Grammar Schools.

Ordered, That Warren's Primary Geography be introduced as a text-book in Geography for the Fourth Class in the Grammar Schools. Read, accepted, and the Order adopted. June 7. 1859. Warren's Primy Geogy.

The Report, in print, - being City Document No. 31, - of the Committee appointed relative to the crowded condition of the Winthrop School, and the boundaries of the Winthrop, Franklin, Dwight, Boylston and Binney School Sections, &c., was taken up, and the accompanying Order was adopted. (see page 50.) Winthrop School Section: Order passed.

The Chair read a communication from Peleg W. Chandler, Ezra Lincoln, George O. Hovey, and about 250 others, showing the necessity of a new Grammar School House in the Phillips School Section, and asking the prompt action of this Board in the matter. On motion of Dr. Lothrop the subject was referred to the Phillips School District Committee. Phillips School. New Building for.

Dr. Alley moved to amend Section 28, Chap. VIII. of the Rules and Regulations, by adding thereto the following: - "During the first week in April, annually, the principal teacher in each Grammar School, and the teacher of each Primary School, shall make to the Secretary of the Board a return of the names of all scholars supplied with books at the expense of the City, of the titles of the books so furnished, and the names of the parents, masters, or guardians who ought to have supplied the same; and suitable blanks shall be pro-

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vided for this purpose. Read, and referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Annual Elections.

Voted - on motion of Dr. Lothrop, - to proceed to the Annual Election of a Superintendent, and of the Teachers of the Public Schools. On motion of Dr. Ilsley, the Board went into secret session.

Sup't of Schools elected.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Hall, Slack and Marvin a Committee to collect and count the ballots for a Superintendent of Schools.
The Committee reported that the whole No. of votes was 50, and that John D. Philbrick had 42. Mr. Philbrick was accordingly declared elected.

Masters elected.

The Masters of the several High and Grammar Schools were re-elected, by ballot, on nomination of the Committees on the respective Schools, as follows: -
Latin, Francis Gardner. English High, Thomas Sherwin. Girls' High and Normal, William H. Seavey.
Adams, Percival W. Bartlett. Bigelow, Joseph Hale.
Bowdoin, Daniel C. Brown. Boylston, Charles Kimball.
Brimmer, Joshua Bates. Chapman, John P. Averill.
Dwight, (for Boys) James A. Page. (for Girls) Geo. B. Hyde.
Eliot, Samuel W. Mason. Franklin, Samuel D. Gould.
Hancock, George Allen jr. Hawes, Samuel Barrett.
Lawrence, Josiah A. Stearns. Lyman, Hosea H. Lincoln.
Mayhew, Samuel Swan. Phillips, James Savey. Quincy,
Charles E. Valentine. Wells, Reuben Swan. Winthrop,
Robert Swan.

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Election of Subordinate Teachers

The subordinate Teachers in the High and Grammar Schools, and the Teachers of the Primary Schools, were confirmed, on nomination of the Committees on the respective Schools and Districts, as follows: -

Latin School.

Latin, Charles J. Capen, Edwin A. Gibbens, George W. C. Noble, Moses Merrill and Joseph A. Hale, Ushers. N. B. M. De Montiachy, Teacher of French.

Eng. High.

English High, Charles M. Cumston, and Luther W. Anderson, Sub Masters. Ephraim Hunt and Charles Carell, Ushers. William N. Bartholomew, Teacher of Drawing.

Girls' High & Normal.

Girls' High and Normal, Mary A. Currier, Head Assistant. Harriet E. Cayl, Maria A. Bacon, Margaret A. Badger, Helen W. Avery, Assistants. Carl Zerrahn, Teacher of Vocal Music. William N. Bartholomew, Teacher of Drawing. Jules Machenet, Teacher of French.

Adams School.

Adams. Robert C. Metcalf, Sub Master. Janet S. Tower, Margaret J. Allison, and Elizabeth E. Lothrop, Head Assistants. Lucy A. Wiggin, Fanny R. Edmunds, Eliza A. Wiggin, Sarah J. D'Arcy, Sarah S. Cooke, Jane M. Knight, and Mary E. Lothrop, Assistants.

Bigelow School

Bigelow. Julia M. Baxter, Celinda Seaver & Rachel C. Mather, Head Assistants. Martha C. Jenks, Elizabeth Williams, Lucy E. Lovell, Emily A. Russell, Jane M. Chevington, Louisa M. Wellington, and Lucy C. Bartlett, Assistants. Elizabeth S. Dodge, Sewing Teacher.

Bowdoin School.

Bowdoin. Mary A. Murdock, Rebecca Lincoln, and Marcy Ann Smith, Head Assistants. Mary S. Robinson, Elizabeth B. Mitchell, Hannah L. Andrews, Martha A. Palmer, Sophia B. Hosmer, Mary M. Clapp, Mary A. Proctor and Irene N. Wentworth, Assistants.

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Boylston School.

Boylston. William J. Adams, Sub-Master. Willard S. Cobb, Usher. Lucy E. Howard, Head Assistant. Clarinda A. S. Treadwell, Ellen M. S. Treadwell, Maria F. Moulton, Mary L. Kelland, Rosetta H. Hodges, Mary J. Smith, Caroline Leavitt, Frances H. Nichols, Sarah E. Moulton, Ellen M. Hendry, Sarah Fuller, & Mary E. Nichols, Assistants. Eliza A. Baxter, Teacher of Sewing.

Brimmer School.

Brimmer. William L. P. Boardman, Sub-Master. William Read, Usher. Rebecca L. Duncan, Head Assistant. Mary E. Beck, Augusta H. Swan, Mercie T. Snow, Susan P. Cunningham, Miranda Snow, Mary M. Knight, Harriet E. Howard & Harriet N. Lane, Assistants.

Chapman School.

Chapman. William H. Ward, Sub-Master, Estelle Dixon, Philura Wright, and Emily H. Ward, Head Assistants. Adeline E. Clapp, Mary A. H. Pingree, Annie E. Walker, Maria L. Kimball, A. Delia Stickney, Mary Stone, Mary E. Moore, & Sarah J. Butler, Assistants.

Dwight School.

Dwight, (for Boys) Charles Hutchins, Sub-Master. Lucius A. Wheelock, Usher. Anna B. Ellis, Head Assistant. Gertrude Taylor, Lucretia L. Josselyn, Anna F. Hailstick, Clara B. Gould, Josephine H. Ellis, Eliza B. Snow, and Mary H. Kerr, Assistants. Eleanor L. Brown, Teacher of Sewing.

Dwight, (for Girls) Eliza A. Harding, Head Assistant. Louisa Tucker, Susan E. Green, Elnora G. Wright, Betsey H. Vinton, Frances A. Keller, Janet M. Crighton, Ann J. Bolden, and Sarah W. Pollard, Assistants. Eleanor L. Brown, Teacher of Sewing.

Eliot School.

Eliot. McLaurin A. Cooke, Sub-Master. Lucian Hunt, Usher. Abby A. Marsh, Head Assistant. Sophia Shepard, Fanny R. Richardson, Anna E. Dyke, Eliza A. D. M. Turner, Emily J. Shattuck, Frances M. Bodge,

Angelina M. Cole, Clara R. Nickerson, Sarah C. Goodrich, June 7, 1859.
Anna L. Learnard, Georgiana D. Rufell, and Flora A. Hol-
brook, Assistants. Franklin. Catharine S. Simonds, Franklin
Frances E. Messinger, Sarah A. Gale, Elizabeth J. Brown, Assistants. School.
Sarah T. Mitchell, Mary J. Leach, Mary A. Mitchell,
Frances E. Wadsworth, Lucy J. Barry, & Mary H. Ellis, Assistants
Maria L. Wolcott, Teacher of Sewing. Hancock. Hancock
Phineas T. Parmenter, Sub Master. Angelina A. Brigham, School.
Head Assistant. Henrietta L. Pierce, Sarah E. White, Mahi-
nah R. Brigham, L. Emeline Pomeroy, Achsah Barnes,
Mary L. Gale, Mary J. Mason, Emily C. Spencer, Mary J.
Fuller, and Elizabeth W. Ayer, Assistants. Mary A. McKay,
Sewing Teacher. Hawes. Charles A. Morrill, Sub- Hawes
Master. Mary E. Balch, Head Assistant. Martha School.
A. Dearborn, Laura Bartlett, Lucy R. Lloyd, Myra
L. Butterfield, Cynthia H. Sears, and Mary J. Meader,
Assistants. Lawrence. Henry C. Hardon, Sub Mas- Lawrence
ter. L. F. Bradley, Kate W. Towne, & Martha A. Smith, School
Head Assistants. Margarette A. Moody, Alice Cooper,
Mary J. Newmarch, Olive M. Jeffords, E. L. Jeffords, Lou-
isa C. Richards, Mary V. Dillaway, Mary W. Conant,
and Jane L. Sharpe, Assistants. Sarah J. Bliss, Teach-
er of Sewing. Lyman. James F. Blackinton, Sub Mas- Lyman
ter. Mary O. Bulfinch, Mary L. Gage, & Cordelia Lothrop, School.
Head Assistants. Almira G. Smith, Mary A.
Turner, Amelia H. Pitman, Eliza F. Ruffell, and
Clara M. Crosby, Assistants. Mayhew. Alfred Mayhew
Hewins, Sub Master. Quincy E. Dickerman, Usher. School.
Emily A. Moulton, Head Assistant. Elizabeth
P. Hopkins, Sarah W. Copeland, Elizabeth L. West,

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Helen H. Pearson, Adeline F. Cutter and Mary G. Powell, Assistants. Phillips, Amphion Gates, Sub Master.

Phillips School

John M. Colcord, Usher. Laura M. Porter, Hannah M. Sutton, Lucy F. Nevins, Elvira M. Hennington, Harriet F. Cunningham, M. Josephine Dupanne and Emily F. Perkins, Assistants.

Quincy School.

Quincy, Benjamin W. Putnam, Sub Master. Richard F. Putnam and Edward Guy, Ushers. Josephine L. Tucker, Head Assistant. Lydia A. Hanson, Julia A. Burrill, Harriet D. Hinckley, Angelina A. Knowlton, E. Maria Simonds, Caroline A. Morris, Olive M. Tyler, Sarah E. Chandler, Elizabeth F. Bailey & Charlotte L. Whelpley, Assistants.

Wells School.

Wells, William H. Swan, Sub Master. Matilda N. Perry, Head Assistant. Sarah J. Lothrop, Juliana Spanell, Lydia F. Chandler, Sarah E. Wiggin, Susan C. French, Lydia A. Beck, Assistants.

Winthrop School.

Mary E. Mudge, Teacher of Sewing. Winthrop, Susan F. H. Loring, Rebecca P. Barry, Martha E. Towne, Almira Seymour, and Maria L. L. Holbrook, Head Assistants. Mary J. Danforth, Elizabeth R. Briggs, L. Ellen Symmes, Hannah H. Hosmer, Eliza J. Reed, Georgiana E. Spanell, Emily M. Hathaway, Mary E. Yates, Mary E. Davis, Mary Newell, Kate L. Perigo and Mary G. Ladd, Assistants. Harriette A. Rolfe, Teacher of Sewing.

Primary Teachers Adams District.

Primary Teachers. Adams District: Rosa L. Morse, Emily C. Morse, Louisa D. Pratt, Sarah F. Wiggin, Arnette A. Webster, Elizabeth H. Allen, Susan D. Wilde, Helen F. Plumley, and Esther L. Morse.

Bigelow District.

Bigelow District: Ellen L. Hubbard, Alice Ann Bickford, Ruth G. Dillaway, Annie C. Gill, Elizabeth A. Groves, Sarah A. Graham, and Emeline L. Holman.

Bowdoin District. S. Elizabeth Adams, Charlotte A. Curtis, Sarah A. Cushing, Mary A. Howe, Malvenia N. Parker, Marianne Stephens, E. Eliza Wason, S. D. R. Whitman, and Lydia A. Woodward. Boylston District. Maria B. Clapp, Maria J. Coburn, Harriette B. Cutler, Mary A. Davis, Anna M. Desmond, Adelia E. Edwards, Lydia B. Felt, Octavia C. Heard, Mary G. Hillman, H. Isabella Hopkins, Anna M. Lecain, Julia B. Lombard, Sarah N. Lombard, Angelia M. Newmarch, Maria W. Parker, Abby M. Parker, Emily Peaslee, Mary E. Sawyer, Margaret S. Tappan, N. E. N. Treadwell, and Celeste Weed. Brimmer District. Ellen S. Andrews, Dorcas B. Baldwin, M. Anne Bourne, Sarah R. Bowles, Deborah K. Burgess, Martha J. Coolidge, Sarah Farley, Elizabeth Goodridge, Cath. M. E. Richardson, and Rebecca J. Weston, and Eliza E. Foster. — June 7, 1859. Bowdoin District. Boylston District. Brimmer District.

Chapman: Zelinda L. Barnes, Jane E. Beale, Hannah S. Crafts, Louisa Curtis, Mary D. Day, Mary E. Hall, Elizabeth H. Johnson, Huldah K. Mitchell, Mary E. Morse, Amelia A. Pratt, and Emily C. Stuteenut. Dwight: Fanny Barr, Augusta A. Davis, Henrietta Draper, Anna R. Frost, Mary A. Hall, Caroline F. Lamb, Mary S. Moore, Elizabeth C. Newman, Eliza G. Swett, Jane P. Titcomb, and Mary C. R. Towle. Eliot: Cornelia A. Adams, Mary E. Barrett, Harriet S. Boody, Eliza Brimhall, Sarah E. Chevaillier, Mary A. Cushing, Julia Ann Cutts, Clarissa Davis, Maria A. Gibbs, Susan D. Knowlton, Louisa Myers, Sarah Ripley, C. Isabelle Tewksbury, Sarah S. Train, Helen M. Warner, and Susan A. Vose. Franklin District. — Lucy M. Beck, Emeline J. Brown, Susan H. Chaffee, — Chapman District. Dwight District. Eliot District. Franklin District.

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Hancock District.

Hannah C. Coolidge, Eliza J. Dyar, Helen E. Eaton, Harriet M. Faxon, Jane S. Hobart, Caroline A. Miller, Abbie K. Sweetser, Eliza Ann Tirrill, Josephine G. Whipple, Ellen Wright. Hancock District: Amelia E. Bell, Martha F. Brady, Anna M. Burns, Betsey L. Canedy, Mary L. Cunningham, Sarah F. Ellis, Elizabeth F. Frye, Harriet M. Hill, Susan Frye, Nancy B. Jones, Sarah L. Shepard, Emily A. Tewksbury, Mary B. Viles, Harriet B. Vose, and Sarah F. Whitmore.

Hawes District

Hawes District: Caroline J. Bunill, Mary M. Eaton, Laura J. Gray, Avidne B. Jewell, Martha E. Newmarch, Susan W. Smith, and Annie E. Wallcutt.

Laurena District.

Laurence District: Mary F. Baker, Rebecca M. Bird, Sarah L. Cunningham, Mary K. Davis, Sarah M. Glover, Alice M. Green, Elizabeth Hill, Mary Lincoln, Mary A. Macnair, Mary F. Peeler, Laura A. Read, Lucinda Smith, Anna R. Thornton, and Elizabeth C. Tombs.

Lyman District.

Lyman District. Hannah C. Atkins, Isabella A. Bilby, Mary F. Crosby, Angeline M. Cudworth, Hannah L. Hanson, and Susan H. M. Swan.

Mayhew District.

Mayhew District. Caroline L. Brown, Catharine W. Callender, Harriet A. Farrow, M. Electa Lamiatt, Mary E. Parker, Permelia Stevens, Henrietta B. Tower, Harriet M. Warren, Caroline Wason, and Bethia Whiting.

Phillips District.

Phillips District. Mary A. Allen, Eliza A. Corthell, Caroline P. Eastman, Emeline D. Fish, Sarah Ingalls, Harriet H. King, Abby A. Lincoln, Lydia F. Poole, Ruth M. Sanborn, & Sarah A. M. Turner.

Quincy District.

Quincy District. Hannah L. Billings, Harriet A. Dow, Elizabeth F. Emmons, Mary A. B. Gore, Mary C. Greene,

Caroline M. Grover, Lucy C. Haskell, Sophronia N. Herrick, Hannah A. Lawrence, Hannah E. Moore, Emily B. Peck, Sarah C. Anderson, Adeline Stockbridge, Caroline L. P. Torrey, Frances Torrey, & Charlotte L. Young. June 7. 1859.

Wells District. Mary L. Bailey, Mary A. H. Cotting, Augusta H. Foster, Elizabeth S. Frater, Elizabeth S. Foster, Elmina R. Housley, Anna A. James, Lucy M. A. Redding, Elizabeth W. Snow, & Mary S. Watts. Wells District.

Winthrop District. Harriet A. Bettis, Mary B. Browne, Mary A. Easterbrook, Anna E. Fedeliem, Elizabeth C. Fink, Fanny C. Jennison, Priscilla Johnson, Anna O. Jones, Ellen E. Leach, Sarah E. Lewis, Dora Norton, Mary E. Pettengill, Mary A. Sylvester, and Rebecca R. Thayer. Winthrop District.

Dr. Read, Chairman of the Committee on Music, nominated for re-election the present Teachers of Music in the Public Schools; viz. Messrs. Charles Butler, Edwin Bruce, Albert Drake & Samuel Swan. Teachers of Music.

Voted, That the Salary of the Superintendent of Public Schools be the same, and the Salaries of the Teachers be at the same rates, as for the current year. Salary of Sup't. of Schools.

On motion of Dr. Lothrop. — Holiday voted.

Voted, That Friday, the Seventeenth of June, be observed by the Public Schools as a Holiday; and that the Schools be suspended, also, on the forenoon of Saturday following said Friday.

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Seats & Desks to a Room. No. 5.

Voted to take from the table the Order offered by Mr. Dawes, (April 5. 1859.) viz. That, in furnishing the School Rooms hereafter, the number of Seats and Desks for pupils shall not exceed Sixty to a Room.

The Order was then adopted.

Adjourned.

Attest.

Samuel Capen, Secretary.

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A Meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held at the City Hall, on Tuesday, the nineteenth day of July, A.D. 1859, at four o'clock P.M. The President in the Chair.

Absent members.

Present. - The whole Board except Messrs. Ammidown, Brewer, Chandler, Crake, Codman, Croft, Endicott, Dawes, Dyer, Ellis, French, Homer, Hooper, Keep, Lewis, Loring, Lothrop, S.K. Lothrop, Norcross, Plimpton, Putnam, Rolfe, Sanborn, Stockbridge, Sykes, Townsend, Upham & Woodbury.

Nominations.

Girls' High.

Chapman Sch. " Dist.

Latin School.

The following Teachers were nominated on probation; viz. Emma A. Temple, in the Girls' High and Normal School, commencing June 1st, 1859. Sarah Butler, an Assistant in the Chapman School. Helen M. Banks and Josephine J. Jones, as Primary Teachers in the Chapman District. E. H. Magill, Sub Master in the Latin School, commencing in September.

The Chair read a communication from the Committee on Public Buildings relative to accommodations for the Primary School in Police Station House No. 1. On motion of Dr. Homans, it was Voted - That the Committee on School Houses confer with the Committee on Public Buildings relative to the matter of said communication.

Resignation of Mr. Sykes.

The Chair read the resignation of James A. Sykes,

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of Ward 2, a member of the School Committee; thereupon, on motion of Mr. Kimball, it was —

Convention proposed.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Mayor and Aldermen, proposing a Convention of both Boards on Tuesday, Sept. 13th, at 4 o'clock P.M. for the purpose of filling said vacancy; and that notice be given of the same, pursuant to law.

Goodwin, Martha B. Salary of.

D. Kiles offered the following: —

Ordered, That Miss Martha B. Goodwin, Primary teacher in Third Street, be paid a salary of $400 per from the date of her appointment, May 1st. — in consideration that she has previously served the City two years, as a faithful and competent teacher.

The Order was referred to the Committee on Salaries, who subsequently reported in favor of the passage of the same, and it was adopted.

Report, Com. on Salaries. Miss H. Banks. Services of

Dr. Palmer, from the Committee on Salaries, reported the two following Orders, which passed: —

Voted, That $65.00 be paid to Miss Helen M. Banks, for services as Teacher, from Feb. 17, to May 4, 1859, in a Primary School in Saratoga Street.

Meader, Mary Jane: Salary of

Voted, That Miss Mary Jane Meader's salary, as Assistant in the Hawes School, commence on the First of March, 1859; and that it be at the maximum grade allowed to Assistants in the Grammar Schools.

D. C. Kiles read the Report of the Phillips School

District Committee, on the petition of J. W. Chandler and others for a new Grammar School House in that Section. (See City Doc. No. 52.) The Report closed with the following Order: — July 19. 1859.

Ordered, That the Committee on School Houses be instructed to request the City Council to take the necessary measures for the immediate erection of a new School House in the Phillips School Section, of sufficient size for the accommodation of the Grammar School in said Section. Phillips School: New Building for.

The Report was accepted, and the Order passed.

Mr. Dean offered the following: — Re-organization of the Bigelow & Hawes Schools

1. Ordered, That the organization of the Bigelow and the Hawes (now called the "Lincoln") Schools be so changed, at the commencement of the next School Year, that they shall hereafter be mixed Schools, in the place of remaining as they are at present: — the one for Girls and the other for boys.

2. Ordered, That the District Committees on the Bigelow and the Lincoln Schools be authorized to determine the boundary between those two School Sections, in such a manner as shall appear to be proper; — taking into consideration the numbers in their respective Schools, the territory, and the convenience of the population. Bigelow & Lincoln School Sections: Boundaries of.

3. Ordered, That the Chairman of this Board be authorized to assign a Sub Committee to the Lincoln Committee on Lincoln

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District.

Dr. Read offered the following: —

Franklin Medal; examination for a second time.

Ordered, That no pupil who shall have been examined for a Franklin Medal, shall be allowed to compete for this a second time while a member of the Grammar Schools, except he shall have been, in the interim, transferred to the Latin or English High School. Referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Boylston District: New Primary School for.

Mr. Parker offered the following: —

Voted, That the Committee on the Boylston School District be authorized to establish a new Primary School within the limits of said District. On motion of Mr. Parker the Rules were suspended to allow a reference, with full powers, to the Committee on School Houses. The Order was then so referred.

Denton A.R. — compensation.

Dr. Shurtleff offered the following: —

Ordered, That the sum of $180.00 be paid to A.R. Denton, for services in teaching Penmanship in the Latin School. Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Opinion of City Solicitor to be obtained.

Ordered, That the City Solicitor be requested to give an opinion as to the right of this Board to determine how long a pupil may remain in the Public Grammar Schools. (On motion of Dr. Read.)

New Primary School House

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Drew, of Ward 9, That the City Council be requested to take measures for the immediate

erection of a Primary School House in the Franklin District, on Suffolk Street, of sufficient size to accommodate six Schools. — July 19, 1859. Franklin District.

Mr. Smith offered the following:-

Ordered, That the Sub Committees having in charge the several Intermediate Schools be authorized to award Diplomas to the advanced pupils thereof, as is now done in the Grammar Schools. Referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations. — Diplomas for Intermediate Schools.

On motion of Mr. Smith, - Grammar, Instruction in. Com^e to consider &c.

Ordered, That a Special Committee of this Board be directed to consider the present mode of instruction in Grammar, and report whether, in their opinion, any improvement is practicable either in text-books, or in the system of teaching.

The Chair appointed as that Committee, Messrs. Smith, Lyman, Miles, Read and Plummer.

On motion of Mr. Haynes, - Opinion of City Solicitor to be obtained.

Ordered, That the City Solicitor be requested to inform the School Committee whether, in his judgment, Chap. VIII, Sect. 15, of the Rules and Regulations, is at variance with the laws of the Commonwealth.

Mr. Kimball offered the following: - Ordered, That, hereafter, the awarding of Medals and Diplomas be discontinued. Referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations. — Medals & Diplomas: Award of.

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Dr. Read offered the following: -

Robinson James.

Ordered, That Mr. James Robinson be appointed an assistant teacher in Writing, Arithmetic and Book keeping, to be employed at the direction of the Superintendent, Masters, or District Committees of the Grammar Schools, at a salary of $600.00 per annum. On motion of Mr. Kimball, the Rules were suspended, for immediate action. The question was then taken on the Order, which was adopted.

Thereupon the Board adjourned.

Attest

Barnard Capen, Secretary.

Sept. 13. 1859.

A Quarterly Meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held at the City Hall, on Tuesday, the thirteenth day of September, 1859, at four o'clock P.M. The President in the Chair.

Absent members.

Present,- the whole Board except Messrs. Tinmidown, Burroughs, Coale, Drew, of Ward 8, Drew, of Ward 9, Greene, Hooper, Kimball, Lewis, Lothrop, of Ward 6, Lyman, Miles, Noble, Palmer, of Ward 11, Putnam, Rolfe and Turner, & Lothrop, of Ward 4.

Convention: Vacancy filled.

Agreeably to assignment a Convention was held with the Board of Aldermen, for the purpose of filling a vacancy in this Board, caused by the resignation of James N. Sykes, of Ward 2.

The Chair appointed Alderman Atkins, & Messrs. Haynes and Coolidge, to collect the votes; who reported the whole No. of votes to be 51; necessary for a choice 26; that Edwin Wright had 26, and Henry H. Cooke had 25. Mr. Wright was accordingly declared elected. Thereupon, the business of the Convention having been accomplished, the two Boards separated.

Resignation of J. P. Putnam

The Chair read the resignation as a member of this Board, of John P. Putnam, of Ward 9. On motion of Dr. Read,- Voted that the resignation be accepted, and that the Board of Aldermen be notified of the same.

The following Teachers, having served the usual term of probation, were confirmed: viz. -

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Emma L. Temple, Assistant, Girls High & Primary School.
Miss Martha B. Goodwin and Miss K. G. Thayer, in Primary Schools in the Hancock District.
Sarah S. Hall and Elizabeth G. Allen, in Primary Schools in the Lawrence District.

Confirmation of Teachers.

The following Teachers were nominated to the Board as being on probation; viz:

Teachers nominated.

Annie A. Cook and Mary Ann Span, in Primary Schools in the Bigelow District.
Mary J. Roff, Assistant in the Dwight School.
Bigelow Dist.
Dwight School
Miss Ellen S. Wilder, in a Primary School in Dwight District.
" Dist.
Miss P. C. Bradford, Assistant in the Franklin School.
Franklin Sch.
Helen M. Hitchings and Esther S. Wilder, Assistants in the Hancock School.
Hancock "
Lawrence "
Mary H. Conant, Head Assistant, and Lizette C. Merrill, Assistant, in the Lawrence School.
Lincoln Dist.
Winthrop "
Carrie M. Eyon, in a Primary School in the Lincoln District.
Adams "
Henrietta L. Madigan, in a Primary School, Winthrop District.
Mary H. Allen, in a Primary School, Adams District.

Opinion of City Solicitor.

The Chair read the Opinion of the City Solicitor on the questions submitted to him; viz. as to the right of this Board to determine how long a pupil may remain in the Grammar Schools; and whether Chap. VIII, Sect. 15. of the Rules and Regulations, is at variance with the laws of the Commonwealth.

Quarterly Reports.

The Quarterly Reports of the several Committees, together with the Quarterly Report of the Superintendent of Schools were read and accepted.

The Chair appointed the Committee to prepare the Annual Report of the School Committee, consisting of the following gentlemen: viz, Messrs. Stockbridge, Miner, Hall, Dawes, Read, Haynes and Norcross. Sept. 13. 1859. Committee on Annual Report.

Dr. Russell offered the following: Girls' High & Normal School.

Ordered, That the Committee of the Girls' High and Normal School be authorized to expend a sum not exceeding One Hundred & fifty Dollars, in the purchase of books for the Library of said School. Referred, with full powers, to the Committee on Accounts. Library.

Upon the recommendation of the Adams School District Committee, and with the approval of the Committee on the Dwight School for Boys, it was Ordered, That Miss Jane A. Wight be transferred from the Adams School to the said Dwight School. Adams & Dwight Schools. Teacher transferred.

Ordered, - on motion of Mr. Endicott, that one of the Intermediate Schools located in the Webster Street Primary School House, be removed to the Lyman District, to accommodate pupils from the Lyman and Chapman Districts; and that the Superintendent of Public Buildings be requested to provide a room in the vicinity of the Lyman School House. Primary accommodations, Chapman District.

On motion of Dr. Upham, Chas. Butler. compensation for loss of Piano.

Ordered, That the sum of $200 be paid to Mr. Charles Butler, in compensation for the loss of a Piano, by the burning of the Quincy School House.

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Mary K. Allen: pay for services

Ordered, That the sum of $34 be paid to Miss Mary K. Allen, for services as substitute in a Primary School in the Adams District, from June 15, to July 29th, inclusive. Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Caroline A. Hutson's services.

Ordered, That the sum of $6.00 be paid to Miss Caroline A. Hutson, for one week's services as substitute in the Franklin Grammar School. Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Bigelow Dist't: New Primary School.

Mr. Dawes offered the following:—

Ordered, That a new Primary School be established in the Bigelow School District. The Rules were suspended to allow immediate action upon the Order: but, there appearing to be no quorum present, the Meeting dissolved.

Attest:

Barnard Capen. Secretary.

A Quarterly Meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held at the City Hall, on Tuesday, the thirteenth day of December, 1859, at four o'clock P.M. The President in the Chair. — Dec. 13. 1859.

Present. —

The entire Board except Messrs. Eveleth, Gleason, Dow of Ward 8, French, Hazelton, Krueger, Learnard, Lewis, Norcross, Rolfe, Sanborn, Simpson, Smith, Townsend and Wright. — Members absent.

The following-named Teachers, having served the usual term of probation, were confirmed: viz. — Confirmations

E. H. Magill, Sub-Master in the Latin School. — Latin School.
C. Goodwin Clark, Sub-Master in the Bigelow School. — Bigelow "
Josephine Cherrington, Primary, in the Bigelow District. — " Dist.
Celia Dixon, Primary Teacher in the Boylston District. — Boylston "
Phebe C. Bradford, Assistant in the Franklin School. — Franklin Sch.
Elizabeth S. Cummings, Primary, in the Franklin Dist. — " Dist.
Helen M. Hitchings and Esther S. Wilder, Assistants in the Hancock School. — Hancock Sch.
Lizette E. Merrill, Assistant in the Lawrence School. — Lawrence Sch.
Annie M. Lyon, Primary, in the Lincoln District. — Lincoln Dist.
Elizabeth S. Bedlington, Sewing Teacher, Lincoln School. — " School.

The following Teachers were nominated on probation; — Nominations

Catherine Knapp and Mary E. Yates, Assistants in the Girls' High and Normal School. — Girls' High & Normal.
Mary E. McLoud, Primary, in the Adams District. — Adams Dist.
Rosanna N. Blanchard, Assistant, Bigelow School. — Bigelow Sch.
Olive Ruggles, Primary, in the Bowdoin District. — Bowdoin Dist.

Dec. 13. 1859. Louisa H. Willey, Assistant in the Chapman School.
Chapman School. Hattie H. Jewell, Usher in the Eliot School.
Eliot " Lydia H. Emmons, Assistant in the Franklin School.
Franklin " Clara Lindsley and Ethia H. Hanscield, in Primary
Hancock Dist. Schools in the Hancock District.
Lawrence " Sarah J. Blake, Primary, in the Lawrence District.
Quincy " Abby C. Hill, and Jane Wheaton, in Primary
Schools in the Quincy District.
Wells " Lucia H. Tenney, and Lucy Frances Jones, in Primary
Schools in the Wells District.
Winthrop Sch. Susie H. Thaxter, Assistant in the Winthrop School.

Quarterly Reports. Quarterly Reports of the several Committees were read, and were accepted by the Board.

Superintendent's Report. The Superintendent of Public Schools read his Quarterly Report, and the same was accepted.

Rules suspended. On motion of Mr. Parker, it was
Ordered, That the Rules of the Board be suspended for the purpose of allowing the Board to act on the following Order:-

Boylston Sch. W. F. Adams appointed Master. Ordered, That the District Committee of the Boylston School be authorized to appoint Mr. William F. Adams as Master of that School during the remainder of the present School-year: said appointment to take effect on the first day of January next. The said Order passed.

The following Order was offered at the previous Meeting,

and the Rules were suspended at that time to allow action upon it; viz Ordered, That a new Primary School be established in the Bigelow School District. The Order passed.

Dec. 13. 1859. Bigelow Dist.: New Primary School. Rules suspended.

On motion of Mr. Kimball the Rules were suspended and the following Order passed: Ordered, That the Quincy District Committee be authorized to establish a new Primary School.

Quincy Dist. New Primary School.

Ordered, That the Primary School in the Winthrop District, taught by Miss Rebecca R. Thayer, be transferred to the Quincy District, and be placed under the charge of that Committee.

Winth. Dist. Primary School transferred to Quincy Dist.

The following Order was offered, and referred to the Committee on School Houses:- Ordered, That the Chapman School District Committee be authorized to form a new Primary School on Saratoga Street.

Chapman District; New Primary School authorized.

The Committee on School Houses considered the above Order, and reported in favor of its adoption; the School to be located in the basement story of the School house in Saratoga Street. Said Order then passed.

The following Orders were offered, and referred to the Committee on Salaries, who reported, subsequently, in favor of their adoption, and they were all, severally, adopted:-

Ordered, That the sum of $16.38 be paid to C. Tucker

C. W. Turner's

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Salary.
Wells District.

W. Tinan, for service as Primary Teacher in the Wells District, from Oct. 25th 1859, to the close of the Quarter ending Oct. 31. 1859.

C. A. Ruggles salary.
Bowdoin District.

2. Ordered, That Miss Olive Ruggles be paid $46.74 for service in a Primary School in the Bowdoin District, from Sept. 5. 1859, to the close of the Quarter, Oct. 31st

E. H. Mansfield's salary
Hancock District

3. Ordered, That the sum of $6.58 be paid to Miss Esther H. Mansfield, for service as a Primary Teacher in the Hancock District, from Oct. 25th 1859, to the close of the Quarter ending Oct. 31st.

L. H. Woodward's salary
Bowdoin District.

4. Ordered, That the salary of Lydia H. Woodward, deceased, late teacher in a Primary School in the Bowdoin District, be paid up to the end of the Quarter ending Oct. 31st.

A. C. Lewis salary.
Hancock District.

5. Ordered, That $18.00 be paid to Abby C. Dow, for eighteen days service, as substitute in the Primary School in Bennet Avenue (Hancock District) commencing Oct. 1st. 1859.

Abby Pulsifer's salary.
Hancock Dist

6. Ordered, That $18.00 be paid to Abby Pulsifer, for eighteen days service as substitute in a Primary School in the Hancock District, commencing Oct. 3d. 1859.

I. H. Wilson's salary
Phillips School.

7. Ordered, That the regular salary of the Head Assistant in the Phillips School, $107.25- be paid to Miss Isabella H. Wilson,- she having served satisfactorily

in that capacity, during the Quarter ending Nov. 30. 1859. | Dec. 13. 1859.

8. Ordered, That $31.23 be paid to Caroline Spear, for service as Assistant in the Boylston School, from Oct. 24. 1859, to the close of the Quarter ending Nov. 30. 1859. | C. Spear's salary; Boylston School.

9. Ordered, That the sum of $71.31 be paid to Adeline S. Bodge, for service as Assistant in the Eliot School, from Sept. 5. 1859, to the close of the Quarter ending Nov. 30, 1859. | A. S. Bodge's salary; Eliot School.

10. Ordered, That the sum of $36.16 be paid to Miss Lydia H. Emmons, for service as Assistant in the Franklin School, from Oct. 18. 1859, to the close of the Quarter, ending Nov. 30. 1859. | L. H. Emmons's salary; Franklin Sch.

11. Ordered, That the sum of $36.99 be paid to Miss Susie H. Thaxter, for service as Assistant in the Winthrop School from Oct. 17. 1859, to the close of the Quarter, ending Nov. 30. 1859. | S. H. Thaxter's salary; Winthrop Sch.

12. Ordered, That the sum of $47.67 be paid to Elizabeth S. Bedlington, for service as Teacher of Sewing in the Lincoln School, from Sept. 5. 1859, to the close of the Quarter ending Nov. 30. 1859. | E. S. Bedlington's salary; Lincoln School.

Ordered, That the sum of $9.00 be paid to Miss Fanny H. C. Bradlee, for service as a Substitute in a Primary School in the Wells School District, for nine days, from Oct. 13.th inclusive. Referred to the Committee on Salaries. | F. H. C. Bradlee's salary; Wells District.

Ordered, That the sum of

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$148.08 be paid to Miss Adeline L. Sylvester, and the same sum to Miss Annie T. Greene, for services as Primary Teachers in the Girls' High and Normal School, from Sept. 12 to Oct. 17. 1859. Refered to the Committee on Salaries.

E. Cummings' salary: Franklin Dist. Rules suspended.

The following Order was offered, and, the Rules being suspended for immediate action upon it, adopted:- Ordered, That Mrs. Elizabeth F. Cummings be paid the sum of $40.27. the amount due her at the close of the Quarter ending Oct. 31. 1859. - as Primary Teacher in the Franklin District.

Rules suspended. Chapman Dist. New Primary School ordered.

Ordered, That the Rules be suspended for the purpose of acting on the following Order: Ordered, That the Chapman School District Committee be authorised to establish an Intermediate School in that District. The Rules were suspended and the Order was adopted.

Report, Com. on Salaries; H. H. Allen & C. A. Watson's services.

Dr. Pelton, from the Committee on Salaries, reported recommending the passage of the Orders refered to them (Sept. 13th) to wit: to pay Miss Mary H. Allen $34.00, and Caroline A. Watson $6.00, for their services respectively; and the said Orders were adopted.

Regulations amended.

Mr. Eodman moved that the Rules be suspended in order to act on the following motion: to wit, To strike out the eighth and ninth Sections of the thirteenth Chapter of the Rules and Regulations, & insert the

following substitute: "The sessions of the (Latin) School shall begin at 9 o'clock A.M. and close at 2 o'clock P.M. on every School-day throughout the year" The Rules were suspended, and the motion to strike out and insert was adopted. — Dec. 13. 1859. Latin School Hours. Rules suspended.

On motion of Mr. Slack. — Ordered, That the Committee on Rules and Regulations consider and report upon the expediency of prohibiting, by standing rule, the presentation to pupils of money or other gifts to any teacher while in the service of the city. — Presentation of gifts to teachers.

On motion of Mr. Haynes. — Ordered, That Chap. VIII. Sect. 15 of the Rules & Regulations be amended by striking out the words "or spel" from the fifth line of said Section, so that the rule may conform to the law of the Commonwealth, in accordance with the opinion of the City Solicitor. — Rules and Regulations amended.

Mr. Haynes offered the following: — Ordered, That Chap. IV. Sect. 11 of the Rules and Regulations be amended by adding, after the word "Board," in the 18th line, the following words: "Provided, always, that no member of this Board shall serve upon the sub-committee of any school of which a teacher is his relative." Refered to the Committee on Rules and Regulations. — Amendment proposed to Rules & Reg'ns.

On motion of Dr. Brewer — Ordered, That the Chairmen of the Franklin, Dwight, Bowman, Quincy, Webster and Winthrop District Committees be a Committee, with full powers, — Boundary Lines of School Sections. Committee.

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to adjust the boundary lines of said School Sections.

Report of Com. on Rules & Regulations

The Committee on Rules and Regulations, desiring to close up the various matters referred to them, submit the following Report:-

On the 7th of June last, the following Order was referred to them for consideration, which, like all the Orders to be now specified on, contemplates no action of this Board, or any of its Committees, until next year, and, consequently, required no earlier disposition; "Ordered, That there be added to Sec. 28, Chap. 8, page 33, of the Rules, the following:- "During the first week in April, annually, the principal teacher in each Grammar School, and the teacher of each Primary School shall make to the Secretary of the Board a return of the names of all scholars supplied with books at the expense of the city; of the names of the books so furnished, together with the names of the parents, guardians, or masters of said pupils; and suitable blanks shall be provided for this purpose by the Secretary." The Committee report in favor of adopting this addition to the Rule.

Return of names of pupils supplied with books at expense of the City.

Medals: pupils competing for, a second time.

On July 19th the following Order was referred to them: "Ordered, That no pupil who shall have been examined for a medal shall be allowed to compete for the same a second time". The object of this Order is to prevent pupils from remaining in a School after they ought to pass on to one of a higher grade. Accordingly, it is proposed to allow them to elect whether they will be examined for a medal, or not.

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If examined, and they fail, they are not to be again this retaining membership merely for the sake of a medal next year, to their disadvantage, and to the injury of subsequent competitors. The Committee report in favor of this rule, and recommend that it be added on page 17, at the end of the 15th Section, Chap. IX. In order to make the whole section consistent with this amendment, the Committee recommend that the number of medals be apportioned according to the number in the first Section, instead of the number of candidates for medals; and therefore propose that on page 16, line 7 from the bottom, the words "of candidates examined" be stricken out, and the words "in the first Section" be inserted. For the same reason they recommend that the word candidates, in the next line but one, be erased, and the words "of that Section" be substituted.

Diplomas for Intermediate Schools.

On July 19th the following Order was referred to us:- "Ordered, That the Sub Committees having in charge the several Intermediate Schools be authorized to award Diplomas to meritorious pupils thereof, as is now done in the Grammar Schools."

Your Committee do not think that this rule is necessary. On page 16. Sect. 15, we read, "The District Committee shall determine on the Scholars who are to receive the medals and Certificates of Merit in their respective Schools." And, if usage has been against the distribution of Diplomas in ~~six~~ Special or Intermediate Schools, we believe

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there is nothing in the Rules to prevent Committees from bestowing them if they see fit to do so. They report, therefore, that it is unnecessary to adopt the order under consideration.

Medals & Diplomas: on discontinuance of award of.

On July 19th the following order was referred to them:- "Ordered, That hereafter, the awarding of Medals & Diplomas be discontinued."

This Order was offered immediately after the last distribution of Medals, when the minds of many of the Committee were impressed, as they probably are annually impressed, with a conviction that some evils grow out of this appeal to the principle of emulation.

This is a subject upon which a great deal has been written and said, for many years: and wise and conscientious minds differ in their conclusions.

We have not now to deal with the subject in the abstract, but with a practical measure, which contemplates a sweeping change in a policy which connects itself historically with past eminent benefactors of our city, and has been interwoven for nearly a century with all the arrangements of our Public Schools.

Your Committee think that the exclusion of medals and diplomas would be far from excluding all the rivalry and disappointments, the jealousies and heart-burnings, some sight of which probably led to this order. In other words the principle of emulation would be in our schools there. We cannot shut it out. Probably, every member of

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this Board has seen as much feeling displayed on a promotion from one section to another, as at a distribution of medals. If we abolish medals we ought for the same reason to abolish promotions, and taking of places according to rank; we ought to abolish all records of rank, and praising for rank; yea, we ought to abolish the approving smile, and the admiring eye, bestowed upon the good recitatation; else we have not secured the object aimed at by this order, and have left it the occasions for rivalry, which may be quite as fruitful of evil.

Your Committee think that the idea at the bottom of this order, is unphilosophical as well as impracticable. They believe that a child's desire of excelling is a part of its nature, which is, itself, to be educated. This is certainly not to be done by vainly attempting to ignore it altogether. By recognising this principle of emulation, giving instruction in regard to it, teaching the young its character and limits, its proper and improper action, a wise and faithful teacher has imparted a vast amount of the highest moral instruction, on a subject which will present itself in some shape or other in our public schools, and which ought not to be left undisciplined and untrained.

As to the evils connected with the distribution of diplomas and medals, we believe they are very much in the hands of the District Com-

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mittees and the teachers. It is not doubted that such distribution may be made the occasion of envy and hate, and other passions which we would keep away from the innocent breasts of the young, if an undue stress, or an ungrounded stress is laid upon these awards. On the other hand, by not laying too much stress upon them, by explaining what we aim to call forth, not rivalry for one another, but love of excellence for itself, and especially by the bestowment of these distinctions upon character as well as scholarship, by singling out those who have hard tried as well as those who have actually won, we may be doing a moral good to the schools, which may be permanent in its effects, and incalculable in amount, - preparing pupils for that principle of emulation which they are sure to encounter hereafter, in college, in professional walks, and in every human pursuit.

Within these legitimate and moral limits your Committee believe the appeal to the natural love of excelling is highly beneficial and important; and they would look upon its total withdrawal from our schools, even were it possible, - which it is not, - as the deprivation of a useful and valuable stimulus.

In this opinion we believe a large majority of teachers, and also a like proportion of the more enlightened friends of education, in other walks of life, concur. We recommend, therefore, that the order do not pass.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Henry A. Miles, Chairman.

The Report was received and accepted. The recommendation of the Committee passed relative to the Order of June 7th as to books supplied to pupils at the expense of the City. Upon the recommendation of the Com'ee as to the Order, "That no pupil who shall have been examined for a medal shall be allowed to compete for the same a second time," - it was Voted, on motion of Mr. Mann, to lay the subject on the table.

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Voted, - on motion of Mr. Plummer, - That, when this meeting adjourns it be to meet one fortnight from to-day.

On motion of Mr. Plummer, amended by Dr. Palmer of Ward Four, it was - Ordered, That the Committee on Text-Books consider and report upon the expediency of providing the Primary Schools with a set of the Tablets, or Charts, recommended and prepared by the Superintendent of Schools.

Tablets or Charts, for Primary Schools. - Com'ee to consider, &c.

Ordered, - on motion of Mr. Ellis. - That the 26th day of December, 1859, and the 2nd day of January, 1860, shall be holidays for the present school-year.

Holidays.

Ordered, - on motion of Mr. Frazer. - That the Secretary of this Board be requested to obtain the opinion of the City Solicitor as to the following questions: 1. - Are the School Committee empowered by law to make regulations designed to control the conduct of the pupils of the public schools on their way to and from school?

City Solicitor's Opinion to be obtained: Control over pupils out of School.

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Cleanliness of Pupils.

2. "for the School Committee empowered by law to make regulations designed to secure personal cleanliness among the pupils of the public schools, & to enforce compliance therewith."

Annual Report: Legal Opinions to be appended.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Thayer, That the Committee having in charge the preparation of the Annual Report of this Board be requested to append thereto such legal opinions as have been communicated to the Board during the year, that all parties interested may have at hand the information contained therein.

Com'ee on Salaries, Report on Salary to A. R. Dunton.

Dr. Palmer, from the Committee on Salaries, reported recommending that the Order, of July 19th, to pay Mr. A. R. Dunton the sum of $130.00 in teaching Writing in the Latin School, do not pass. The Report was accepted.

Lucy E. Bartlett's Salary

Mr. Dawes offered the following:- Ordered, That Mrs. Lucy E. Bartlett receive the salary of $450.00 per annum, the time and all the experience in the service of the City, which entitles her to that compensation. Refered to the Committee on Salaries.

The meeting then adjourned.

Attest:

Barnard Capen, Secretary.

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A meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held at the City Hall, on Tuesday, the 27th day of December, 1859, agreeably to adjournment, at four o'clock P.M. The President in the Chair.

Absent Members.

Present:- The whole Board, except Messrs. Ammidown, Burnham, Chandler, Coale, Coolidge, Codman, Endicott, Dearborn, Dyer, French, Haynes, Hazelton, Hinckley, Homans, Hooper, Lewis, Nichols, Parker, Rolfe, Santoin, Simpson, Stockbridge, Upham, Woodbury and Wright.

Confirmations.

Dwight School.

Mary J. Ross was confirmed as an assistant, in the Dwight School for Boys.

Dwight District.

Ellen S. Wildes was confirmed as a primary teacher in the Dwight District.

Phillips School.

Isabella H. Wilson was confirmed as Head Assistant in the Phillips School.

Wells School District: New Primary School House wanted.

Dr. Miles, of the Wells District Committee, read a statement showing the need of a new Primary School House in that District; and offered the following Order, which passed:

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to take the necessary measures for the immediate erection of a new school house, in the vicinity of Poplar and Chambers Streets, adapted to the accommodation of five or six primary schools.

The Standing Committee on Music have attended

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to their duty, as prescribed by the Rules of the Board, and respectfully Report:- That, since their last communication to this Board, during the six months which have elapsed, but few changes have taken place in the corps of Assistant Teachers, and that the principal instructors in Music, in the Grammar Schools, have zealously attended to their duty, and performed it to the entire satisfaction of your Committee. It is believed from the personal inspection which your Committee have been able to bestow upon the various Schools, that the system of teaching, and the general rules under which music is cultivated in the public schools under the control of this Board, are working well and harmoniously, towards the great end in view.

The second annual Festival under the new arrangements was held at the Music Hall, on Tuesday, July 26th, last. Of its entire success your Committee are gratified in being able to make an unqualified report. In some respects it surpassed the one held the year previous; and we trust the change so successfully inaugurated, and which has proved so satisfactory to all concerned, may continue to be maintained from year to year.

The following is the condition of the Schools in regard to the musical qualifications of the Assistant teachers: - of 195 Assistants in the Grammar Schools

141 can sing.

54 cannot sing.

In conclusion your Committee would once more

call the attention of the Board to Chap. II. Sec. 18, of the Rules and Regulations, by which the qualifications of all candidates for the office of assistant teacher are made one of the elements of the examination. All of which is respectfully submitted. William Read, Chairman, for the Comm^ee.

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Read and accepted.

Report, Comm^ee on Boundary Lines of Dwight, Franklin, Brimmer, Quincy, Winthrop & Boylston School Sections.

In the absence of the Chairman of the Committee appointed to adjust the boundary lines of the Dwight, Franklin, Brimmer, Quincy, Winthrop and Boylston Sections, and at his request, the undersigned asks leave to Report:-

The Committee met on Saturday, Dec. 24th. All the members were present except the Chairman of the Committee on the Dwight School. After receiving the views of the Masters, present by invitation, - and a reconsideration of the whole subject, the Committee unanimously agreed upon the following changes; viz:- To take from the Dwight Section for boys, and add to the Brimmer Section, the district west of the centre of Washington St. and north of the centre of Dedham St.

To take from the Dwight Section for Girls the district north of the centre of Dedham St. and add the same to the Franklin Section.

To take from the Franklin, and add to the Winthrop Section, the district north of the Worcester Rail-Road and Ontario Street.

The changes are prospective only, and are to control admittances to the several Grammar Schools (named,

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on and after the first Monday of March next. The children now on the several Registers are to remain as at present, and as if the boundary lines had remained unchanged. No changes are proposed in the northern boundary lines of the Brimmer Section, and none at present in those of the Quincy or the Winthrop, and none in the lines of the Boylston.

Certain changes will be required when the proposed new grammar school is organized; but these may be somewhat affected by the site that shall be selected, which has not yet been definitely chosen by the City Council.

"Dwight" Section

As now arranged the Dwight Section, both for boys and girls, includes in its limits all of Boston South of the centre of Dedham Street.

"Franklin" Section

The Franklin Section includes all that part of Boston which lies between the centre of Dedham St. on the South, and the Worcester Rail Road and the centre of Ontario St. on the North.

"Brimmer" Section.

The Brimmer Section includes all that part of Boston which lies west of the centre of Washington Street, between the centre of Dedham St. and the centres of School and Beacon Streets.

"Quincy" Section.

The Quincy Section includes all that part of Boston that lies between the centre of Dedham Street and State Street, bounded on the West by the centre of Washington Street, and on the East by a line running through the centres of Eyanes, Milk, Federal and Summer Streets, and the water, excluding both sides of Federal Street.

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"Winthrop" Section.

The Winthrop Section remains unchanged, except that the centre of Ontario Street from the water, and the Worcester Rail Road, are its Southern boundaries, instead of Oak, Warren and Tremont Streets.

For the Committee, J. M. D. Brewer.

Read, and accepted, and the following Order passed:

Ordered, That the Secretary be directed to communicate to the Teachers of the several Grammar Schools named, the changes in the boundary lines of the Sections of the Dwight, Franklin, Quincy, Brimmer, and Winthrop Schools, and cause the same to be incorporated in the next issue of the printed copies of the Rules and Regulations.

Report, Com^e. on Text Books, as to Primary School Tablets or Charts.

Dr. Lincoln, from the Committee on Text Books, who were directed to consider and report upon the expediency of providing the Primary Schools with the Tablets prepared by the Superintendent of Schools, reported, recommending a reference of the subject to the next Board. The subject was accordingly so referred.

Report Com^e. on Salaries; Miss Sylvester, & Miss Greene's Services in Normal School.

Dr. Palmer, from the Committee on Salaries, reported the following two Orders and the same passed.—

1. Ordered, That the sum of Thirty dollars be paid to Miss Adeline L. Sylvester, and the same sum to Miss Annie F. Greene, for services as temporary teachers in the Girls' High and Normal School, from Sept. 12, to Oct. 17. 1859.

Miss Bradlee's services in

2. Ordered, That the sum of Nine dollars be paid to Miss Fanny H. E. Bradlee, for

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services as substitute in Primary School No. 1, Spring Street Place (Wells District) for nine days from & including, Oct. 13th.

Upon the Order (of Dec. 13) to pay
Lucy C. Bartlett's Salary.
pay Mrs. Lucy C. Bartlett the salary of $450.00 per annum. The Committee on Salaries reported adversely to it's passage. The report was accepted.

Second-hand text-books.

Dr. Brewer offered the following: -

Whereas there are in the possession of the city, sundry second-hand text-books not now in use in any school, and having little or no value.

Ordered, That the Committee on Accounts be authorized to destroy any of such books as are not needed, for the use of any evening or other chartered school, the Trustees of which shall apply for the same. Order passed.

O. H. Spurr, Messenger, compensation.

Ordered, That there be paid to Mr. O. H. Spurr the sum of $300.00, - the same as was paid to him last year for his services as Messenger for this Board.

Thanks to the President.

Mr. Miner offered the following: -

Voted, That the thanks of this Board be tendered to His Honor the Mayor, for the ability with which he has discharged the duties of its presiding officer, and for his uniform kindness, courtesy & impartiality towards its members.

Passed unanimously; to which the President responded appropriately. The Board then adjourned.

Attest:

Barnard Capen, Secretary.

Medals awarded to Boys.

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Franklin Medals

Latin School.

Arthur C. Knapp
Frederic Brooks
Thomas B. Peck
Horace Bumstead
John T. Hassam
Henry T. Jenks.

English High

Ezra Farnsworth Jr.
James E. O'Brien
Joseph C. T. Peirce Jr.
Emory W. Wiley
Alonzo A. Knights
Edward Sherwin

Adams.

George H. Greeley
Joseph G. Hamblin
George E. Savory
Eldridge G. Hanton

Boylston.

John A. Gallivan
John J. Ford
John C. Hennessy
Patrick B. Hannan
James R. O'Hara
Patrick H. Anthony

Brimmer

Charles H. Alcott
Alphonse B. Batteman
John H. Beck
Louis B. Belknap
Alfred H. Bissell
William H. Collis Jr.
Joseph H. Jenkins
Harrington A. Pine
Josiah Quincy
Charles F. Smith
Samuel H. Wise

Chapman

Charles F. Littlefield
William Reid
Charles J. Ladd
John F. Delany

Dwight.

Arthur Hobart
Samuel F. Cole
William G. Gunnison
Henry W. Jackson
William H. Bangs
Arthur F. Merrill
Thomas H. Bradford
Frank G. Woodward
Michael F. Phalen
Louis E. Binney
Pliny H. Nickerson
George W. Dyer
Lorna Crane

Medals.

Eliot.

Axel B. Munroe
James C. W. Chipman
Patrick J. Riordan
Jesse C. Durrell
John J. McDavitt
Isaac H. Kipton
Charles E. Smith
James T. Cummings
Charles C. Davis
Walter E. Colby
William T. Howard
Thomas R. Stinson
William H. Crawley

Hawes.

Joseph T. Paget
Frank K. Neal
William H. Hart
Charles N. McCollough
George P. Hebard
Henry G. Monks
Isaac H. Allard
Charles E. Davis Jr.
Albert Baker
George D. Kellum

Lawrence

Charles W. Dyer
George J. Cole
Hugh J. Tolland
Leander Hanscom
Charles H. Lincoln

James Lapointe
William Paul
Thomas F. Nunan
Amos D. Albee
Hiram Hubbard

Lyman

Benjamin W. Tomlinson
Edward F. McConologue

Mayhew

John W. Dooley
William H. Whitcomb
Joseph C. Norris
George A. Chipman
Charles C. Rice
W. Allston Newell
Asa E. Dodge
William Keywood

Phillips.

Moses Mellen Jr.
Willard G. Sawyer
Charles T. Thorn
Charles R. Bent
George Spencer
Daniel L. Tower
A. R. Holden Jr.

Quincy.

Matthew Watkins
John W. Straus
Daniel E. Dyer
William E. Foster
Charles B. Newcomb

Henry L. Priest — John A. Jones — Medals.
Charles F. Baxter — William Rogers
Albert L. Richardson — Adolphus G. McVey
Charles H. McKenney — George A. Mathews.

Medals awarded to Girls

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City Medals.

Adams School

Mary S. Lunt
Ellen E. Fitch
Mary E. Lincoln
Lucy W. Bisbee
Lucy J. Lothrop
Mary Anderson

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[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

Medals

Writers.	Artists.	Medals.
Lillian Bliss	Antonia Kenny	
Carmon A. Bundy	Mary H. Locke	
Frances L. Daily	Catharine V. Loring	
Helen M. Dexter	Caroline Nolen	
Mary Isabel Dodd	Emma M. Thomas	
Sarah C. Goodridge	Martha J. Trickett	
Ellen E. Gray	Laura H. Wade	
Mary C. Hamilton	Lizzie B. Ward	
	Ellen M. Yates	

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Organization.

A Meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held at the City Hall on Monday the ninth day of January, 1860 at four o'clock P.M. pursuant to the Order of the Board passed at their last meeting for the purpose of the choice of a President of the Board for the current Municipal year. His Honor the Mayor, Ex-officio President of the Board, took the Chair.

Members who hold over.

The members of the former Board of this City year were present, viz:-

Ward 1. Alvin Bradley
Ward 2. J. Harvey Woodbury
William A. Hayward
George Tolman
Thomas P. Tuttle
Ward 3. Edward H. Clapp
John Noble
Samuel J. Cobb
Ward 4. Isaac H. Hazelton
Edward D. G. Palmer
Ward 5. A. B. Thaxter
Ezra S. Palmer
George Partridge
Loring Lothrop
Ward 6. John S. Jarvis
William C. Townsend
Ward 7. E. Baron Russell
Fenelon Merriam
Samuel F. Hersey
Ward 8. George H. Gilman
John B. Alley
Thos. M. Brewer
Richard H. Hodges
Ward 9. Joseph E. Shaw
Winslow Lewis
Chas. F. Gardner
Ward 10. Chs. Kimball
George G. Smith
Enoch Train
Sam'l G. H. Homer
J. Baxter Upham
John C. Stockbridge
Ward 11. Edward Ruggles
Thomas Minns
Ward 12. Chs. Kimball
Enoch Train
Sam'l G. H. Homer

Ward 11. Henry Burroughs Jr. — Ward 12. Geo. H. Lincoln
Thomas H. Chandler — John Duncan
Charles W. Slack — Thomas Dawes
Frederic H. Hayes — Charles Burroughs

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The following newly elected members appeared and took their seats:- Members newly elected.

Hon. Fred. W. Lincoln Jr., Mayor, President of the Board.
J. Putnam Bradlee Esq., President of Common Council.
Ward 1, Charles O. Eaton — Ward 7. Patrick Riley

2. Seth C. Ames — 8 Elijah C. Drew
J. Wesley Hinckley — Rufus Ellis
3. John Newell — 9. William Read
Aaron P. Richardson
4. Robt. Treat Paine Jr. — 10 Daniel C. Eddy
Amelius D. Parker — Samuel A. Green
5 John W. Dadmun — 11. Wm. H. Learnard Jr.
Matthias Rich Jr.
6 S. K. Lothrop — 12 Lewis C. Whiton
George W. Tuxbury — Samuel W. Bates

and Richard Beching, in place of James N. Sykes, resigned; Russell Sturgis Jr. in place of Sturgis, who was chosen to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of James W. Stone; Samuel H. Randall, in place of Daniel T. Simpson, who was chosen to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of N. J. Bean; Charles W. Sawyer, in place of John C. Moore, resigned; Elisha Bassett, in place of John P. Putnam, resigned.

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His Honor the Mayor having taken the Chair, at his request the Reverend Dr. Stockbridge offered an Address to the Throne of Grace.

Committee to collect Credentials.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Bartlett, Romans and Thayer a Committee to collect the Certificates of Election of newly elected members; who reported the names of the same, (as on previous page,) and the report was accepted.

Secretary chosen.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Drew, Krueger and Kinckley a Committee to collect the ballots for a Secretary; who reported the whole No. to be 64; all for Ex. Barnard Capen, who was declared chosen.

Salary of Secretary.

Voted, That the Salary of the Secretary be, for the year, $1,000.00.

On motion of Dr. Lothrop. -

Rules and Regulations adopted.

Voted. That the Rules and Regulations of the former Board be adopted as the Rules and Regulations of this Board, until otherwise ordered.

Standing committees appointed

The President then appointed the following Standing Committees, which were afterwards approved by the Board:-

on Elections.

on Elections, Messrs. Bates, Drew, of Ward 9, Turner, Krueger and Parker.

Rules and Regulations.

Rules and Regulations, Messrs. Miles, Lothrop, of Ward 6, Read, Plummer and Slack.

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Standing Committees continued.

Salaries. Messrs. Palmer, of Ward 4, Marvin, Hall, Greene, of Ward 3, and Thayer.

Accounts. Messrs. Alley, Rolfe, Drew, of Ward 8, Norcross and Bartlett.

Text Books. Messrs. Lothrop, of Ward 6, Russell, Eyman, Lothrop, of Ward 4, & Burroughs.

School Houses. Messrs. Kimball, Shuttleff, Tuxbury, Brewer, and Bigelow.

Music. Messrs. Read, Upham, Russell, Richardson, and Homer.

Latin School. Messrs. Tuxbury, Shuttleff, Ellis, Read and Alley.

English High School. Messrs. Lothrop, of Ward 6, Miles, Fabyan, Townsend & Ammidown.

Girls' High & Normal School. Messrs. Russell, Palmer, of Ward 4, Eyman, Brewer and Burroughs.

Adams School District. Messrs. Cobb, Hinckley, Noble, Woodbury, Ames and Beeching.

Bigelow School District. Messrs. Dawes, Burnham, Dennett, Duncan, Bates & Whiton.

Bowdoin School District. Messrs. Hooper, Shuttleff, Upham, Townsend, Lothrop, of Ward 4, Sturgis, Greene, of Ward 3, Plummer, Richardson, and Paine.

Boylston School District. Messrs. Parker, Homans, Hooper, Russell, Riley, Plummer, Drew, of Ward 9, Green, of Ward 10, Sawyer & Parsons.

Brimmer School District. Messrs. Alley, Eyman, Read, Kimball, Rolfe, Ammidown, Bigelow, Baxett, Green, of Ward 10, & one vacancy.

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Standing Committees continued.

Chapman School District. Messrs. J. Harvey Woodbury, J. Wesley Hinckley, Samuel T. Cobb, John Noble, Richard Beeching, and Seth C. Ames.

Dwight School District. Messrs. Rolfe, Burroughs, Chandler, Rich, Drew, of Ward 9, Learnard, Thayer, Slack, Eddy, & two vacancies

Eliot School District. Messrs. Fabyan, Palmer, of Ward 3, Hall, Greene, of Ward 3, Turner, Jarvis, Krueger, Haskins, Eaton, & Randall.

Franklin School District. Messrs. Chandler, Drew, of Ward 9, Slack, Thayer, Learnard, Burroughs, Eddy, Rich, Rolfe, & 1 vacancy.

Hancock School District. Messrs. Hall, Fabyan, Palmer, of Ward 3, Turner, Krueger, Bartlett, Eaton, Haskins, Newell, Paine, and Richardson.

Lawrence School District. Messrs. Bennett, Dawes, Drew, of Ward 9, Duncan, Burnham, Whiton and Bates.

Lincoln School District, Messrs. Bennett, Dawes, Duncan, Whiton, Bates and Eddy.

Lyman School District. Messrs. Hinckley, Woodbury, Noble, Cobb, Ames, Eaton, and Beeching.

Mayhew School District. Messrs. Homans, Hazelton, Marvin, Parker, Townsend, Bartlett & Dadman.

Phillips School District. Messrs. Upham, Miles, Stockbridge, Norcross, Lothrop, of Ward 6, Lothrop, of Ward 4, Sturgis, and Tuxbury.

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Quincy School District. Messrs. Ellis, Brewer, Riley, Kimball, Drew, of Ward 8, Homer, Hodges, Parsons, and one vacancy.

Standing Committees continued.

Wells School District. Messrs. Miles, Hazelton, Marvin, Jarvis, Greene, of Ward 3, Norcross, Stockbridge, Dadmun and Randall.

Winthrop School District. Messrs. Brewer, Alley, Drew, of Ward 8, Rolfe, Homer, Ammidown, Hodges, Baskett, Bigelow, & Green, of Ward 10.

Resignations: Hazelton, Smith, Lewis.

The Chair read the resignations, as members of the School Committee, of Isaac H. Hazelton, Winslow Lewis ~~Lewis~~, and George G. Smith, and the same were accepted. Thereupon, Dr. Lyman offered the following:-

Convention proposed to fill Vacancies.

Whereas: Vacancies exist in this Board, caused by the resignation of Isaac H. Hazelton, of Ward 3, whose term expires in 1861; of Winslow Lewis, of Ward 9, whose term expires in 1861; and of Geo. G. Smith, of Ward 10, whose term expires in 1861;-

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Mayor and Aldermen, proposing a Convention of both Boards on Monday, the thirtieth day of January instant, at Four o'clock P.M., for the purpose of filling said vacancies; and that public notice be given of the same, pursuant to law. Passed.

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Protest of Bettely & others. Elections in Ward One.

The Chair read a protest against the election to this Board, of Messrs. George F. Hoskins & Charles O. Eaton, members elect from Ward One, - signed by Albert Bettely, I. P. Taylor and about forty others. On motion of Dr. Gothop, it was voted to refer the same to the Committee on Elections.

Certificates of Election referred.

Voted, on motion of Mr. Kimball, to refer the Certificates of Election to the Committee on Elections.

Organization to be printed

Ordered, - on motion of Dr. Alley, That, at the end of the time allowed by the Rules for the organization of the Committees, the Secretary shall prepare a printed Organization of the Public Schools, from such materials as shall have been furnished him by said Committees.

Rules suspended.

Mr. Kimball offered the following, and moved a suspension of the Rules for immediate action: -

Ordered, That, whenever a motion, order or resolution shall be referred to a Committee, the Chairman of the Committee shall cause the member offering the motion, order or resolution, to be notified, by the Secretary of the Board, or otherwise, of the time when the subject will be considered. The Rules were suspended, and order was adopted.

First Meetings of new Committees.

On motion of Dr. Hall, it was

Voted, That the first person named on each of the High School and Grammar School District

District Committee be authorised to call the first meetings of their Committees. Jan. 9 1860.

Ordered, on motion of Dr. Bartlett, - That the Committee on Rules and Regulations be requested to amend Sect. 3 of Chap. IV. in relation to the powers and duties of the Committee on Accounts, so that the same shall be more precisely defined. Committee on Accounts: powers & duties to be defined

Voted, - on motion of Dr. Lothrop, - to refer to the Committee on Rules and Regulations, the Rules and Regulations of this Board for revision. Rules & Regulations referred.

Ordered, on motion of Dr. Brewer, - That the Committee on Rules and Regulations consider the expediency of establishing, by rule, what shall constitute a legal election of a teacher other than a master, and of providing for their payment from the date of their service after election. Legal Election of Teachers: what shall constitute.

Voted, - on motion of Mr. Kimball, That the Committee on Elections have power to send for persons and papers, relative to the election in Ward One. Elections in Ward One.

The Board then adjourned.

Attest:

Barnard Capen, Secretary.

Jan. 30. 1860.

A Meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held at the City Hall, on Monday, the thirtieth day of January, 1860, at 4 o'clock P.M.

In the absence of the President, the President of the Common Council called the meeting to order.

Present, the whole Board except Messrs Ames, Ammidown, Bigelow, Dennett, Drew, of Ward 8, Homer, Palmer, of Ward 4, Parsons, Russell, Shurtleff, Stockbridge, Sturgis, Townsend, Whiton, and Woodbury.

Absent.

Convention held.

Notice having been received that the Board of Aldermen concurred in the proposition for a Convention to fill the vacancies existing in this Board, caused by the resignations of Isaac H. Hazelton, of Ward 3, Winslow Lewis, of Ward 9, and Geo. G. Smith, of Ward 10, the two branches assembled in Convention accordingly.

Vacancies filled.

The Chair appointed Alderman Willis, and Messrs. Baxett and Homans, of this Board, to collect, sort, and count the votes for a candidate to fill the vacancy in Ward 3; who reported the whole No. of votes to be 60; necessary for a choice 31; Francis E. Parker 4, Ebenezer Nelson 9, Daniel P. Simpson had 47, & was declared chosen.

D. P. Simpson chosen.

For a candidate to fill the vacancy in Ward 10, the Committee reported the whole No. of votes to be 63; necessary for a choice 32; E. B. Dearborn had 8, John H. Butler 19, James Dennie had 36, and was declared chosen.

Jas. Dennie chosen.

For a candidate to fill the vacancy in Ward 9, the Committee reported the whole No. of votes to be 62; necessary for a choice 32; William Beck had 17, M. Denman Ross had 45, and was declared chosen. — Jan. 30. 1860. M. D. Ross chosen.

The business of the Convention having been accomplished, the two branches separated.

Nominations.

John Jameson was nominated as Sub Master, and Caroline W. Marshall, as an Assistant, in the Boylston School. — Boylston School.

Sarah A. Small, and Harriet N. Tyler, were nominated as on probation in primary schools in the Chapman District, from Jan. 3. 1860. — Chapman District.

Walter H. Newell was confirmed as Usher in the Eliot School. Juliaette Davis was nominated as an Assistant, on probation, in the same School. — Eliot School.

Eunice Linsley and Esther F. Mansfield were confirmed as Primary teachers in the Hancock District. Adeline F. Bodge was nominated as on probation in a primary School in same District — Hancock District.

Susie H. Thaxter was confirmed as an Assistant in the Winthrop School. Frances R. Honey was nominated as a Primary Teacher, on probation, in the Winthrop District. — Winthrop School. 3 District.

On motion of Dr. Read it was — Annual School Festival Committee.

Ordered, That a Committee of five be appointed from this Board, to act with the Standing Committee on Music, in making preparations for the Annual School Festival.

The Chair appointed as that Committee Messrs.

Jan. 30. 1860. Lothrop, of Ward 6. Brewer, Stockbridge, Hall and Sturgis.

Primary Charts or Tablets. Ordered, on motion of Dr. Lothrop, - That the Report on the subject of the introduction of the Charts or Tablets prepared by the Superintendent of Public Schools, refered to this by the last School Board, be taken from the files, and refered to the Committee on Text Books.

Diplomas and Medals: Number of to be awarded. Dr. Hall offered the following: -

Ordered, That Sect. 15, Chap. IV, be so amended that the number of Diplomas and Medals awarded shall be left discretionary with the District Committees. Refered to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Annals of the Boston Primary School Committee. Dr. Read offered the two following Orders, and they were refered to the Committee on Accounts: -

Ordered, That the Secretary of this Board be, and he hereby is, authorized and requested to have printed for the use of the School Committee, Five hundred copies of the Annals of the Boston Primary School Committee, by Joseph M. Wightman.

Ordered, That the Secretary of this Board furnish to each member of the late Primary School Committee a copy of the above-mentioned Annals of the Primary Schools.

Rules suspended Dwight District. New Primary Sch. Mr. Thayer offered the following, and moved a suspension of the Rules for its passage: -

Ordered, That the Dwight School Committee be authorized to establish a new Primary School.

The Rules were suspended, and the Order passed. Jan. 30. 1860

Mr. Cobb offered the following: Adams School: Miss Calhow's Services.

Ordered, That the sum of $11.50 be paid to Miss Frances A. Calhow, for services as teacher in the Adams School from Nov. 1, to Nov. 14, 1859. Read, and refered to the Committee on Salaries.

Mr. Parker offered the following:- Boylston School: Miss Spear's Services.

Ordered, That there be paid to Miss Caroline Spear the sum of Forty three dollars & seventy seven cents, in full for her services as Assistant in the Boylston School from Dec. 1. 1859, to Jan. 24, 1860 inclusive. Refered to the Committee on Salaries.

Ordered,- on motion of Dr. Alley,- That the Committee on School Houses be requested to consider the expediency of purchasing a lot of land adjacent to the Brimmer School House, for the purpose of enlarging the yard of said building. Brimmer School Yard.

The Committee on Elections, to whom were referred certain Certificates of Election, having examined and considered the same, Report:- Report, Com. on Elections.

That your Committee find that the several Certificates, with the exception of the certificate of Thomas W. Parsons, appear to be in due form, & presumptive evidence of the title of the persons therein named, to the office of the School Committee from the second Monday of January, 1860,

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respectively, and, in the opinion of your Committee, are elected:- For the term of three years.-

Ward 2. John W. Hinckley. Ward 8. Rufus Ellis
Seth C. Ames Elijah C. Drew.
Ward 3. John C. Newell, Ward 9. William Reads
Aaron D. Richardson.
Ward 4 Aurelius D. Parker. Ward 10. Daniel C. Eddy.
Robert Treat Paine Jr. Samuel A. Green.
Ward 5. John W. Ladmore, Ward 11. Matthias Rich Jr,
Henry A. Miles. Wm. H. Learnard Jr.
Ward 6. S. K. Lothrop, Ward 12. Lewis C. Whiton,
George W. Simmons. Sam'l W. Bates.
Ward 7. Patrick Riley.

For two years, Sam'l H. Randall, for Ward 3,
Charles W. Sawyer, for Ward 7.
Elisha Bassett, for Ward 9.

For one year, Richard Bucking, for Ward 2
Russell Sturgis Jr., for Ward 6.

The Certificate of Thomas W. Parsons, from Ward 7. is a duplicate, signed by the Warden, Clerk, and by two inspectors. A letter, accompanying the Certificate, from the Warden, states that the original certificate was signed by the other inspectors. The original has been lost, but, upon this evidence, and the statement of Mr. Parsons that the original was given to him, the Committee report that Thomas W. Parsons is elected to the School Committee, for three years, from Ward 7. The Certificates from Ward 1 are made matters of a separate report, in connection with the protests of Bettely & others.

For the Committee, Samuel W. Bates, Chairman. Jan. 30, 1860.
Read and accepted.

Report, Com. on Elections on Protest of Betteley.

The Committee on Elections, to whom was referred the protest of Albert Betteley and others, against the election of Charles O. Eaton, and George F. Haskins, from Ward One, respectfully Report:-

That they gave notice to the parties protesting and asking for a hearing, and also to the members certified as elected, and had a hearing extending through two evenings. It appeared that there was some considerable irregularity in conducting the election in Ward One; that the Inspectors were new men, and not fully cognizant of their duty; that much difficulty was had in understanding the names of the voters; and that some of the rallying Committees of both parties aided in pronouncing their names; and it was claimed, but not proved, that some persons voted by wrong names; that some persons were allowed to vote whose names had been checked as already having voted, upon their statements that they had not voted, and that some persons voted without having their names checked at all. Some eighteen votes were found folded together in twos, and on threes, which, it was claimed, were fraudulently cast. These votes were not counted.

Though there was much that was irregular in said voting, and perhaps enough to invalidate an election, if the votes claimed to be illegal

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were sufficient to change the result, yet it was found that if all votes claimed to be illegal were thrown out, there still would be a majority for the present sitting members; and the case of Bradford v. Gibbs, 2 Cush. 39, decides that it is no objection to an election that illegal votes were received, or legal votes rejected, unless the majority is thereby changed; and the decisions of the Legislature in various cases, reported in election cases of Massachusetts, are of the same tenor.

The whole number of votes claimed to be illegal were 103, and, as a matter of fact, none of these were proved to have been cast for the elected members; but, assuming that they were all illegal, and all cast for the elected members, and all thrown out, there would still remain a majority for the sitting members of over forty votes.

Your Committee are unanimous in the opinion that there was no testimony offered sufficient to invalidate the election of the members of Ward One; and, as the certificates are regular in form, being signed by the Warden and a majority of the Inspectors, report that George F. Haskins and Charles O. Eaton are elected for three years as members of the School Committee, from Ward One, and are entitled to their seats.

They further report that, in their opinion, the protestants have leave to withdraw.

For the Committee, Samuel W. Bates, Chairman.

Read, and accepted.

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The Chair read a communication from John Beeson, asking the co-operation of the School Committee in a proposed exhibition to the pupils in the Public Schools, of the Manners and Customs of the Indians. Voted, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

John Beeson.

Ordered, That the sum of Six Dollars be paid to Helen M. Hitchings, for services in the Eliot School, as Substitute, from March 7 to March 12, 1859 - inclusive. Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Eliot School: Miss Hitchings' services.

Chair made the following appointments of newly elected members to fill vacancies in Committees; viz. Mr. Dennie on the Dwight, Franklin and Quincy School District Committees. Mr. Ross on the Brimmer, Franklin & Dwight Dist. Committees. Mr. Simpson on the Mayhew and Wells Dist. Committees.

Vacancies in Committees filled.

The Meeting then dissolved.

Attest:

Barnard Capen, Secretary.

Feb. 21. 1860

A Meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held at the City Hall, on Tuesday, the twenty first day of February, 1860, at Four o'clock P.M. The President in the Chair.

Members Present. — The whole Board except

Absent. Messrs. Innes, Ammidown, Bartlett, Bates, Dadmun, Duncan, Eddy, Ellis, Hinckley, Homer, Kneeger, Newell, Paine, Read, Stockbridge and Whiton.

Confirmations. The following teachers, having served the usual term of probation, were confirmed: viz. —

Franklin Schl. Lydia H. Emmons, Assistant in the Franklin School.

Wells District Maria W. Turner and Mary F. Jones, in Primary Schools in the Wells School District.

Nominations. The following teachers were nominated as being on probation: viz. —

Dwight School Martha A. Joslin, an Assistant in the Dwight School for Boys, from Feb. 3. 1860.

Dwight District Lydia F. Blanchard, in a primary School in the Dwight District, from March 5. 1860.

Hancock School Ellen A. Hunt, commencing Jan. 14th, and Susan W. Porter, to commence March 1st, 1860, Assistants in the Hancock School.

Report Com. on Salaries. Dr. Palmer, from the Committee on Salaries, — to whom were referred, at the last Meeting, Orders, respectively, to pay to Miss Caroline Spear the sum of $43.77, to Miss Frances A. Cahow the sum of $11.00, and to Helen M. Hitchings the sum of $6.00, — reported,

Miss Spear, Miss Cahow & Miss Hitchings.

recommending the adoption of said Orders. Feb. 21. 1860.
The report was accepted, and the Orders passed.

Mr. Miles, from the Committee on Rules & Regulations, - to whom were referred the Rules and Regulations of the Board, for revision, presented and read the report of that Committee, which was accepted, and, on motion of Mr. Kimball, laid on the table and ordered to be printed. Report of Com. on Rules & Regulations.

Ordered, - on motion of Mr. Riley. - That the Committee on School Houses consider the necessity of accommodations for three primary schools in the Quincy School District. Quincy Dist^t. Primary School Accommodations.

The Committee on Text Books, who were ordered to consider the expediency of introducing into the Primary Schools the Tablets for primary school instruction, prepared by the Superintendent of Public Schools, have attended to that duty, and respectfully submit their Report: - Report Com. on Text Books, on the introduction of the Primary School Tablets.

These Tablets are twenty in number, very skilfully prepared, and neatly executed, on ten cards, each card having two Tablets, one on each side.

Taken together they form a connected series on the following seven subjects; viz. The Alphabet, Enunciation, or the sounds of the language in its vowels and consonants, Spelling & Reading, or the combination of letters into words, and words into

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sentences, Writing, Drawing, Punctuation, Numeration. But, though forming, as a whole, this connected series, the several parts are independent of each other, and can be used separately. The Alphabet Cards, for instance, having four Tablets, representing the letters in different forms, styles, sizes, have no connection with or dependence upon the Enunciation, or Writing or Drawing Cards, and can be introduced and used separately in the Alphabet Schools where they are needed.

The whole series can be broken up into the different sets of Cards of which it is composed, and each set purchased and used by itself, wherever it is thought desirable to use. But, further than this, each card, of each set, has a measure of independent unity, and without the knowledge or possession of any other of the series, may be used with advantage in giving instruction on the subject to which it relates; though, in an ungraded primary School, while it would be an unquestionable improvement and help, to have any one of the cards, it would be very desirable that the whole series should be introduced.

The design and benefits of these Tablets are obvious. Their purpose is to facilitate and impress that oral teaching which is so important a part of, and so indispensable to success in, elementary instruction.

Young children in a primary School cannot confine their attention long to a printed page or lesson, in the individual exercise of their own minds, with-

out aid or sympathy from others; of necessity they soon tire of this, and become inattentive, idle, restless, mischievous. The aid, the eye, the voice, in short constant intercourse with the teacher, is the great instrument by which they are kept attentive, cheerful, happy, and led onward in learning; and therefore is it that oral teaching may be useful, successful; the teacher must have some forms, figures, symbols, outline objects, to which appeal can be made for illustration, to which the eye can be directed, and which can be thus used to make the oral instruction intelligible to the mind, and impress it upon the memory.

Here comes in the great benefit & value of these Tablets. They serve this purpose. They offer a needed and increased facility for oral Teaching. They enable a teacher to instruct a whole school or class at once, and thus accomplish more work, in less time, with more ease, with greater attention, quiet, and cheerfulness on the part of the children.

Published with the Tablets, forming a part of them, as it were, and furnished without additional expense to every teacher using the Tablets, is a small pamphlet, containing a more full description of them than has here been presented by your Committee, and offering valuable suggestions respecting the mode of using each Tablet.

So far as your Committee have had opportunity to make limited inquiries, every teacher, of every grade, who has had opportunity to examine the Tablets,

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concurs in the opinion that they supply a want which has been very generally felt in our Primary Schools, and would be most valuable and important helps in the work of primary school instruction.

The cost of these Tablets is Five Dollars a set, which, considering the manner in which they are executed, and the strong, substantial cards upon which they are mounted, cannot be regarded as an extravagant. The Publishers offer to furnish sets, in whole or in parts, as they may be needed, to the Primary Schools of the city, at 20 per cent. discount, i.e. at the rate of four dollars a set.

Having thus described these Tablets, their uses and cost, we are prepared to consider the question, whether they should be introduced into the Primary Schools of this city. In determining this question, it should be understood that our Superintendent, the author of the Tablets, has no direct, pecuniary interest in it. His contract with the Publishers is that they shall furnish them to the Boston Schools at a large discount, and he, himself, is to receive no percentage on any sales made to these Schools.

But, it may be asked, has he not a very large indirect interest in it, seeing their introduction into the Boston Schools will lead to their extensive use and consequent sale elsewhere, and this use and sale elsewhere, will redound to his pecuniary benefit?

Suppose we admit this, ought it to have any weight with this Board; any influence in leading it to an adverse decision. If the Tablets are valuable and useful in themselves, if their introduction into our Primary Schools would help to improve those schools, and afford desirable and needed facilities of instruction, to teachers, shall we refuse to introduce them because our Superintendent, who prepared them in the perfectly legitimate exercise of his skill, talent, and educational experience, will thereby receive some pecuniary benefit, to the extent to which our influence and example may lead to their introduction and use elsewhere?

As the guardians of the interests of Public Instruction in our city, this would be a very weak ground of decision against them on our part. It is a consideration that should have no weight with us. But, further, our Superintendent has now no very great indirect interest in this question, affecting either his purse or his reputation. Three months ago, when this question came before this Board, he and his friends might have considered it quite important to the success of his work that it should be endorsed by the Boston School Board.

This would unquestionably be very gratifying to his feelings now, but it is no very supreme importance to his reputation or his pecuniary interests, or those of his publishers. The

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Tablets have now been finished in all their sets, published and circulated. Wherever they have been sent, to those interested or engaged in educational pursuits, they have been received with universal favor. The strongest approbation of them as meeting a great want, and affording a great help, has been expressed by many, most competent to judge; and favorable letters & orders in relation to them, have been, and continue to be, received from Connecticut, Ohio, Illinois, and other parts of the country.

That they will be all but universally, very extensively, approved and adopted into the elementary Schools of the country, is evident. The Publishers and the Superintendent will realize from them all that they desire or expect, whether we adopt or endorse them, or not; whether they do or not is a question that does not concern us, and should have no influence upon our decision.

The single point before the Board is, are these Tablets so valuable, so needed, will they be such an improvement to the mode and progress of instruction in the Primary Schools, that, as wise guardians of these Schools, we ought to order their introduction, and subject our constituents to the expense that will be incurred?

Upon this question your Committee recommend to the Board to come to an affirmative decision.

In the work of education, as in every other work, a good beginning, a broad and substantial founda-

tion, is the secret of right progress and successful execution. The Primary Schools are the foundation, lie at the bottom, of our system of public Instruction. Any improvement of this system, the right conduct of its several parts, any progressive enlargement of it to meet the wants of the age, cannot be effected if the Primary Schools are neglected. The work of progress and improvement must begin there; and ever since the present organization of this Board, when the Primary Schools came under its immediate charge, it has been one of its leading aims, a wise principle that has governed its action, to improve these schools; to prevent a waste of time and opportunity there, that the full benefit of the advanced schools might be reached and enjoyed by a larger number of children. Every thing that tends to improve the Primary Schools is worthy of the highest consideration of this Board, and, if pasible, should be adopted. There can be no question, your Committee conceive, that the introduction of these tablets will tend most directly and essentially to improve the modes and facilities of instruction in these schools. The only objection that can be raised to their introduction is the cost, - the expense it involves. This is a matter for grave consideration, undoubtedly. There should be no unwise expenditure, no extravagance in the use of the use of the public money, on the part of this Board; and those of our number

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who stand as watchful guardians, to hold us in check at this point, and insist that no money shall be appropriated till it is clear that the appropriation is wise, useful necessary, deserve our thanks for the faithful service they render in this particular. But there should be now wise economy on the part of this Board, and any reasonable expense that is clearly to result in great benefit to the schools, should receive the concurrence of all the members of this Board, as it will receive the approbation of all their constituents.

We have now 226 Primary Schools: 36 of these schools are not graded. These schools would require each a whole set of Tablets: 36 sets, at $4.00 a set would be $144.00. We have 190 schools that are not graded. None of these schools would require more than one half of the Tablets, some of them perhaps not so much. The number of Cards that would amount, in all, to 90 sets of the Tablets, would be required in these graded Schools:- 90 sets, at $4, would be $360.

The cost of the introduction of these Tablets, therefore, would be about $500. There are 12,000 children say, in our Primary Schools. If new Tablets had to be purchased every year, it would add 4½ cents to the annual cost of education for each child.

But, new Tablets every year are not to be purchased. Allowing a large margin for some abuse or negligence in the case of them, they will last five years. But, in five years the introduction of the

Tablets would increase the annual cost of education for each child less than one cent. But, the Tablets are intended to be hung up on the wall, or kept in a drawer, and used on a frame, like a painter's easel. With proper care there is no reason why they should not last ten years.

In ten years their introduction would increase the annual cost of education for each scholar about 1/2 a cent, or 5 mills.

This is a fair light in which to look at the cost of this measure; and, in this light, the expense ought not to stand in the way of the introduction of such improvement, or means of improvement, into the Primary Schools. The saving in text books to each scholar during the first year will be infinitely greater than the cost of the introduction of the Tablets. The Committee submit an order to that effect.

It is also very desirable that all the High and Grammar Schools should be furnished with a copy of the new Quarto Edition of Worcester's Dictionary; and they submit an order to that effect.

Respectfully submitted. For the Committee. S. K. Lothrop, Chairman.

Ordered, That the District Committees be authorised to furnish the Primary Schools in their Districts with such Cards, or Sets of Cards, of the Tablets for Primary School Instruction, recently prepared by the Superintendent, as they may

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deem it useful to introduce into them.

Worcesters Quarto Dictionary.

Ordered. That the Text Book Committee be authorized to furnish each of the High & Grammar Schools with one copy each of the new Quarto Edition of Worcesters Dictionary.

Read, accepted, and the above order adopted.

Report Committee on School Houses on Yard Room for the Brimmer School.

The Committee on School Houses, (in pursuance of an Order adopted Jan. 30th) respectfully Report:- The want of more yard-room for the Brimmer School has for a long time been apparent, and the importance of the subject has engaged the attention of several successive Committees. The Order upon which your Committee now report was presented to the Board by the Chairman of the Committee on the Brimmer District, under instructions. It was adopted by the unanimous vote of the members present. There are, in the Brimmer School and in an intermediate school in the same building, nearly seven hundred boys, with a yard of only 1550 feet area. There is also a primary school of more than sixty children, which has for out-door accommodations only a passage-way eight feet wide, by which access is had to the school-room. The very inadequate yard-room defeats the objects of a recess, as the boys must, of necessity, go from, and return to, their rooms without breaking ranks.

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Yard Room
at
Brimmer
School.

The Estate adjoining the Brimmer School-House lot towards Washington Street, fronting on Common Street, - a map of which is herewith submitted, - can be purchased probably, at a reasonable rate. The inhabitants of Ward 10 are without sufficient Ward-Room accommodations. Several applications have been made for relief, but the difficulty of finding a suitable spot for the erection of a building, has prevented any action. Upon Election days the intermediate school is dismissed, and the Grammar School is interrupted. The estate referred to contains about 3500 feet, and will furnish, not only yard room sufficient for the school, but will afford an eligible site for a building for a Ward Room, and two Primary School Rooms, which will doubtless soon be needed in the District.

In view of these facts and the necessities of the case, the Committee recommend the passage of the following Order.

For the Committee Otis Kimball, Chairman.

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to enlarge the Brimmer School House lot by the addition of the adjoining estate owned by Joseph Smith, Esquire, provided it can be purchased at a reasonable price.

Order adopted.

Read, and accepted, and the Order was adopted.

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Report, Committee on School Houses, on Primary School Accommodations in the Quincy District.

The Committee on School Houses, (who were directed to consider the necessity of accommodations for three primary Schools in the Quincy School District,) respectfully Report:-

The Quincy School Committee seek accommodations for three primary Schools already instituted, located in a private house, in rooms of inadequate capacity, and badly ventilated.

The health of the children, their progress in knowledge, and a due regard to economy, demand consideration. Your Committee recommend that a request be made to the City Council to provide the accommodations prayed for.

For the Committee. Otis Kimball, Chairman.

Read, and accepted.

Boylston School. Miss Bentley's services

Mr. Parker offered the following:-

Ordered, That the sum of $4.11 be paid to Miss Elizabeth P. Bentley, for five days' service as Assistant in the Boylston School, ending Jan. 28, 1860. Refered to the Committee on Salaries.

Boylston School. Additional Teachers.

Mr. Parker offered the following:-

Ordered, That the Committee of the Boylston School have leave to appoint two additional female assistant teachers in said school.

Refered, with full powers, on motion of Dr. Brewer, to said Committee.

Dr. Jarvis offered the following:-

Ordered, That Walter H. Newell, recently elected Usher in the Eliot School, receive the maximum salary of that office, he having served the City eleven years in the capacity of teacher. Referred to the Committee on Salaries. — Feb. 21, 1860. Eliot School: Newell's Salary.

Mr. Thayer offered the following: — Dwight School for Boys: Miss Bailey's Services.

Ordered, That Miss E. A. Bailey be paid the sum of $46.00 for services as substitute in the Dwight School for Boys, from Dec. 12, 1859 to Feb. 3d, 1860. Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Dr. Alley offered the following: — Brimmer District: new Prim'y School.

Ordered, That the Brimmer School District Committee be authorized to establish a new Primary School in that District. Referred to the Committee on School Houses.

Adjourned.

Attest:

Barnard Capen, Secretary.

March 13. 1860

A Quarterly Meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held at the City Hall, on Tuesday, the 13th day of March, 1860, at 4 o'clock P.M. the President in the Chair.

Members absent

Present.- The whole Board, except Messrs. Ammidown, Bucking, Homer, Newell, Paine and Riley.

Confirmations

The following Teachers were confirmed, having served, satisfactorily, the usual term of probation, viz.- Catharine Knapp and Mary E. Gates, Assistants in the Girls' High & Normal School.

Girls' High & Nor. School.

Bigelow School.

Roxanna N. Blanchard, an Assistant in the Bigelow School.

Quincy District.

Julia A. Wheaton and Abby M. Mills in Primary Schools in the Quincy District.

Nominations.

The following Teachers were nominated as on probation; viz.

Bigelow School.

Marie Ann Hale, an Assistant in the Bigelow School.

Brimmer School

Mercy A. Davis, Assistant in the Brimmer School.

" District.

Lucy H. Symonds, Primary Teacher in the Brimmer Dist.

Chapman School & District

Mary M. Morse, and Roxellana Howard, Assistants in the Chapman School.

Ellen M. Robbins, Primary Teacher in Chapman Dist.

Eliot District.

Sarah A. Winsor, Primary Teacher in Eliot District.

Franklin School

Mary H. Ellis, Head Assistant, and Susan E. Gates, Assistant, in the Franklin School.

Lawrence School.

Eliza L. Darling, Assistant in the Lawrence School.

Ann M. Brown, Assistant in the Lincoln School. — March 13. 1860.
Catharine B. Clark, Assistant in the Quincy School. — Lincoln School.
Agnes Duncan, Primary Teacher in Quincy District. — Quincy School & District.
Josephine J. Jones was nominated as an Assistant in the Adams School, by transfer from the Chapman District. — Adams & Chapman Schools.

The following Order was also passed: Ordered, That this Board consent to the transfer made, by which Miss C. A. Morris, and Miss E. B. Peck changed places as teachers in the Quincy District, taking effect from Jan. 1. 1860. — Quincy District.

Miss Frances R. Honey was nominated as an Assistant in the Winthrop School, by transfer from a Primary School in the same District. — Winthrop School.

The Quarterly Reports of the Committees on the High Schools and on the Grammar & Primary Schools in the several Districts, were read and accepted. — Quarterly Reports.

Ordered, That the Committee on School Houses be directed to take into consideration, and report to this Board upon the best method of affording increased school room accommodations for the pupils of the Latin School. — Latin School: increased Accommodations for.

Ordered, That there be paid to Miss Agnes Duncan the sum of $34.52 for her services as a Primary Teacher in the Quincy District from the 21st day of December 1859, to Feb. 1st, 1860. Re- — Quincy Distt: Miss Duncan's Services.

March 13, 1860. Voted to the Committee on Libraries.

Fire proof School Houses. Resolved, That, in the opinion of the Board of School Committee, it is both humane and economical that the school-houses hereafter to be built be made fire-proof; and that this resolve be communicated to the City Council.

Report Committee on Accounts: Wightman's Annals of the Primary Schools. The Committee on Accounts respectfully Report:- That they have considered the subject of the following Order, which was referred to them Jan. 30, 1860, authorizing the Secretary of the Board to have five hundred copies of the Annals of the Primary Schools, by J. M. Wightman Esq. printed for distribution amongst the members of the late Primary School Committee; and recommend that two hundred be substituted for "five hundred," and the order be passed.

For the Committee. John B. Alley, Chairman

Read and accepted. The question was taken on the amendment proposed by the Committee, and it was not adopted.

On motion of Dr. Hall, it was voted so to amend the original Orders as to provide that each member of this Board be furnished with a copy of the work. The question was then taken on the original Orders, thus amended, and they were adopted. (page 116.)

Sup't of Schools: Quarterly Report. The Superintendent of Public Schools read his Quarterly Report, which was accepted.

Mr. Kimball, Chairman of the Committee on School Houses, reported, recommending the adoption of the Order, referred to that Committee Feb. 21st, - "That the Bunker School District Committee be authorized to establish a new Primary School in that District" The Order passed.

March 13, 1860. Com. on Sch. Houses Report. New Prim. Sch. Bunker Hill District.

Dr. Palmer, from the Committee on Salaries, reported, recommending the adoption of Orders referred to that Committee; viz., to pay Miss E. P. Bentley the sum of $41.11 for services in the Boylston School; to pay Miss E. A. Bailey the sum of $46.00, for services as substitute in the Dwight School for Boys; and to pay Miss Agnes Duncan the sum of $34.52, for services as Primary Teacher in the Quincy District; which Orders were severally adopted.

Rep't Com. on Salaries: Compensation for services of Miss Bentley, " Bailey, " Duncan

Upon the Order, referred to the same Committee, - that Mr. Walter K. Newell receive the maximum salary as Usher in the Eliot School, - the Committee reported that the Order ought not to pass. The Report was accepted. The question was taken upon the Order, and it was lost.

Eliot School: Newell's Salary.

The Chair read the memorial of Mr. Samuel K. Jenks, relative to the matter of corporal punishment in the Public Schools, and asking that some definite legislation may be had in relation to the premises; also, in reference to a rule which requires that re-appointed incum-

S. K. Jenks's Memorial.

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bents in the service of the Board shall rank as new teachers, &c.; and asking for its revocation.

On motion of Mr. Kimball the communication was referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Lawrence District: New Primary School ordered.

The following Order, on motion of Mr. Burnham, was passed under a suspension of the Rules:—

Ordered, That a new Primary School be established in the Lawrence School District.

Voted,—on motion of Dr. Townsend,—to adjourn to one week from this day, at 4 o'clock P.M.

Attest:

Barnard Capen, Secretary.

March 20. 1860.

A Meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held, agreeably to adjournment, at the City Hall, on Tuesday, the twentieth day of March, 1860, at Four o'clock P. M. The President in the Chair.

Members Absent.

Present. The whole Board, except Messrs. Fines, Winnidown, Brewer, Dawes, Hinckley, Homans, Horner, Marvin, Newell, Rolfe, Ross, Turbury & Whiton.

Report, Com. on Rules & Regulations considered.

On motion of Dr. Miles it was Voted to take from the table the Report, in print, of the Committee on Rules and Regulations, made Feb. 21st, and to consider the modifications submitted therein (See Report on file.)

Voted to amend Sect. 8, Chap. 2, so as to read, in the fourth line, "and motions to adjourn, to lay upon the table, and to take from the table, shall be decided without debate."

Duties of Committee on Accounts.

In Sect. 3, Chap. IV, relating to the duties of the Committee on Accounts, Voted to substitute the following for that Section: viz, Sect. 3. When any proposition is submitted to this Board involving the payment of money for any other purpose than the payment of salaries, or the establishment of a new School, such proposition shall not be acted upon before it has been referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Said Committee shall have power to authorize

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the purchase of record books and blanks for the use of the Schools, and a further supply, when called for, of any apparatus, globes, maps or books of reference, or other conveniences, which this Board may have authorized the use of as means of illustrating the studies of the Schools. The Sub-Committee, or any other persons connected with this Board, shall expend any money for these supplies without authority from this Committee, and no bills for such expenditures shall be paid without the signature of the Chairman of this Committee in approval. Said Committee are authorized, on behalf of this Board, to carry out the provisions of the statute of the Commonwealth for furnishing books to indigent children and others, and to present an estimate of the expenses of the Public Schools to the City Auditor on or before the first day of February annually.

Duties of the Secretary.

In Sect. 18, Chap. IV, Voted to add to that Section as follows: viz. "It shall be the duty of the Secretary to give immediate notice of such appointment to the City Auditor."

Names of well qualified candidates at examinations to be recorded.

In Chap. IV, the following new Section was adopted, called Sect. 19: Sect 19.

When, at any examination for assistant teachers, a larger number of candidates are found qualified, than is required to fill existing vacancies, it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the District

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Committee making the examination, to keep a record of the names of such well qualified candidates as the said Committee may direct, and to deposite such record with the Secretary of this Board, to be by him copied in a book to be provided for the purpose. This record shall give the names and addresses of the said candidates, and such information in regard to their qualifications, whether for Grammar or Primary Schools, as the said Committee may direct. And any District Committee may elect Assistant Teachers for the Grammar or Primary Schools from the candidates so recommended, with or without a new examination, at the option of said Committee.

Voted to strike out, in Sect. 3. Chap. VII, the last three lines, commencing with the words, "and have authority."

Opening Exercises

Dr. Upham's amendment.

In Chap. VIII. Sect. 5. Dr. Upham offered the following as a substitute:

Sect. 5. The morning exercises of all the Schools shall commence with reading a portion of Scripture in each room, by the teacher, and the Board recommend that the reading be followed with the Lord's Prayer, repeated by the teacher alone, or chanted by the children & teachers in concert; and the afternoon session close with appropriate singing.

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Mr. E. Lothrop's amendment.

Mr. Lothrop of Ward 4, offered the following, Dr. Upham withdrawing his amendment; — viz. to insert after the word Scripture, in the present rule, as follows: "In each room which is under the care of a Master, Sub Master or Usher, the reading of the Scriptures shall be followed with the repetition of the Lord's Prayer, or with extemporaneous prayer, by the teacher. In each room which is under the care of a female teacher the reading shall be followed with the repetition of the Lord's Prayer by the Teacher." The question being taken on this amendment, it was not adopted.

Mr. Eddy offered the following as a substitute for the present Section: viz, Section 5. The morning exercises of all the Schools shall commence with reading a portion of Scripture, in each room, by the teacher, the reading to be followed with the Lord's Prayer, by the teacher, and the afternoon session close with appropriate singing. The pupils, also, shall learn the Ten Commandments, and repeat them once a week.

Upon this question, on motion of Mr. Rich, it was voted to take the yeas and nays.

Yeas & Nays taken.

The yeas and nays were then taken, when the following-named gentlemen voted yea; viz. — Messrs. Alley, Beching, Burnham, Burroughs, Cobb, Dadmun, Drew, of Ward 9, Duncan, Eddy, Fabyan, Greene, of Ward 3, Jarvis, Leonard, Lothrop, of Ward 4, Lyman, Palmer of Ward 4, Rich, Richardson,

Shurtleff, and Turner. (20.) The following gen- March 20. 1860.
tlemen voted nay; viz., Messrs. Bassett, Bigelow,
Chandler, Dennett, Dennie, Drew, of Ward 8, Eas-
ton, Ellis, Green, of Ward 10, Hall, Haskins, Hodges,
Hooper, Kimball, Krueger, Lothrop, of Ward 6, Miles,
Noble, Norcross, Paine, Palmer, of Ward 3, Parker,
Parsons, Plummer, Randall, Read, Riley, Russell,
Sawyer, Simpson, Slack, Stockbridge, Sturgis,
Thayer, Townsend, Upham, Woodbury, and the
President of the Common Council. (38) The Chair
declared the result; viz. 20 yeas, 38 nays. So the
amendment was not adopted.

On motion of Dr. Palmer, Ward 4,
Voted, That, when the Board adjourn, it ad-
journ for one week.

Dr. Upham then renewed his substitute for Section 5, excepting, by request, the portion requiring the chanting of the Lord's Prayer. The question was taken thereon, and the same was adopted. Dr. Upham's Substitute adopted.

Thereupon the Board adjourned.

Attest:

Barnard Capen, Secretary.

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A meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held at the City Hall, on Tuesday, the 27th day of March, 1860, at 4 o'clock P. M. The President in the Chair.

Present, —

Members absent.

The whole Board, except Messrs. Ammidown, Bates, Duncan, Eaton Greene, of Ward 3, Homer, Hooper, Lothrop, of Ward 4, Lothrop, of Ward 6, Lyman, Parsons, Rolfe, Stockbridge, Tuxbury and Whiton.

Dr. Alley's explanation of his vote

After the reading of the Records of the last meeting, by the Secretary, Dr. Alley stated that, on the question which was taken by yeas and nays at that meeting, he had voted under a misapprehension of the meaning of the amendment, and that he did not intend to vote to make compulsory the learning or repetition of the Ten Commandments.

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations: consideration of, resumed.

The Board then resumed the consideration of the Report of the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Sect. 1, Chap. VIII was amended by inserting after "$5,00", in last but two, the following: "for Assistants in the Girls' High and Normal School, $1.50; for Ushers in the Latin & English High Schools, $3.75; for Sub Masters in the Latin & English High Schools $5; for Masters in the Latin and English High Schools, $6,00."

Sect. 5, Chap. IX was amended by striking out the second paragraph, and inserting

the following; "The course of study shall be the same as in the Primary Schools; and it shall be in the power of each District Committee to introduce Writing and the elements of Written Arithmetic" — March 27. 1860. Schools for Special Instruction: Course of Study in.

Sect. 9. Chap. IX was amended by striking out the two lines commencing, "it being desirable," &c. and substituting the following, "the maximum number being fifty-six." — No. of Pupils in Primary Schools.

In Chap. IX the following new Section was adopted; viz. "Sect. 14. In case the Primary Schools, or any number of them, not less than four, are so situated that they can advantageously be placed under the general oversight of one of the teachers, of superior fitness for this trust, the Committee of such District is authorized to assign this duty to such teacher, who shall be entitled to the pay of an Assistant in the Grammar Schools. She shall be called the Supervisory Teacher, whose duty it shall be to have a general oversight of the schools in her group, and to see that the Regulations of this Board are properly observed." — "Supervisory Teachers." (Stricken out: see page 152.)

In Chap. XII, Sects. 6 and 7 were amended, by striking out the last period of Sect. 6. & adding, after the words "English Authors," "Instruction in the Theory and Practice of Teaching. Such instruction in Music shall be given to all the pupils as may qualify them to teach Vocal Music — Studies in Girls' High & Normal Schools. Vocal Music.

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in our Public Schools." (Thus uniting the two Sections.)

Latin School Text Books.

Sect. 12. Chap. XIII was amended by omitting from the list of books used in the Latin School, the following; to wit, Mitchell's Geography, Parker's Aids, Sallust, (and substitute in place thereof Viri Romae) Somerville's Physical Geography, Charles XII, Bonnechose's History, & Latham's English Grammar.

Presents to Teachers

Sect. 23. Chap. VIII, was amended by adding thereto the following: "nor shall instructors become the recipients, during term-time, & only from a graduating class at any other time, of any present of money, or other property, from the pupils."

Duties of Supt. of Schools.

Meetings of Teachers

Sect. 3. Chap. VII, was amended, by adding to the Section, as amended at the last meeting, the following; "and have authority, for this purpose, to dismiss the Primary Schools at such time as he shall deem advisable, not exceeding one half-day in each quarter. He has authority, also, to dismiss the Grammar Schools, not exceeding one half-day in each half year, for the purpose of holding meetings of the teachers of these schools."

1st Meetings District Committees.

Sect. 10. Chap. IV. was amended by striking out, and substituting therein, the following: "The member first named on each District Committee shall call a meeting of said Committee

within ten days after its appointment. It shall March 7, 1860.
organize &c.

Sect. 2. Chap. IX, was amended by striking out the last section sentence.

Sect. 35. Chap. VIII, was amended, so as to provide that the vacations of the High and the Grammar Schools shall be "the remainder of the school-year following their respective exhibitions"; and that the vacations of the Primary Schools shall be the same as of the Grammar Schools. Vacations.

Sect. 22. Chap. IX, was amended by adding, at the end of the section, the words, "before the First of December."

In Chap. VIII, Sect. 3 was so amended as to read, in the 10th line, "third Monday in October," instead of "first Monday in November."

Dr. Richardson moved an amendment to Sect. 5. Chap. VIII, as follows: viz. to add, at the end of that Section, the following: — "And the teachers shall be required, once each week, to read to their classes the Ten Commandments." Laid upon the table. Opening Exercises. The Ten Commandments.

On motion of Mr. Plummer,

Voted, That, when the Board adjourn, it be for one week; and also that the several amendments to be printed.

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ments to the Rules and Regulations, which have been made, be printed for the use of the Board.

E. L. Balch's bill.

On motion of Dr. Read, it was

Voted to refer, with full powers, to the Committee on Accounts, the bill of Mr. E. L. Balch for printing Music to be used at the next School Festival.

The Board then adjourned for one week.

Attest:

Barnard Capen, Secretary.

April 3. 1860.

A Meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held, agreeably to adjournment, at the City Hall, on Tuesday, the third day of April, 1860. at Four o'clock P.M.

Members absent.

Present, The whole Board except Messrs. Ammidown, Bigelow, Brewer, Dadman, Dennie, Homer, Krueger, Lothrop, of Ward 4. Palmer, of Ward 3. Read, Roys. Stockbridge, Tuxbury and Whiton.

Rules and Regulations: consideration of resumed.

The Board resumed the unfinished business of the last meeting; viz the revision of the Rules and Regulations.

Candidates for Vacancies: how proposed.

In Chap. 1, a new Section was added; viz. "Sect. 7. Whenever a vacancy occurs in this Board a Committee shall be appointed, consisting of two members from the Ward in which the vacancy exists, and three at large, who shall consult with the Alderman of said Ward, or with the Chairman of the Board of the Board Aldermen, in case the ward is not represented in that branch, and report to this Board, on or before the day of election, the name of a suitable candidate to fill said vacancy.

Expulsion of pupils.

Dr. Miles read the opinion of the City Solicitor, showing that the provision in Sect. 15, Chap. VIII, for the expulsion of a pupil from school, by the Committee of the School, conflicts with the Statutes of the Commonwealth. Thereupon, Voted to strike out, in said Section, the words "or expel."

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In Chap. IX, Sect. 14 - adopted at the last Meeting, - was stricken out.

In Chap. IV. Sect. 19 was amended so as to read, in the last line but two, "shall" for ~~may~~.

In Chap. I, Sect. 5 was amended to read ~~"second"~~ "instead of ~~first~~ Tuesday in June."

In Chap. VIII, Sect. 23, as amended at the last Meeting, and Sect. 24, were united, and made as one Section.

In Chap. XII, Sect. 3 was amended to read "Wednesday and Thursday."

Superintendent to Report Semi-Annually.

In Chap. VII, Sect. 7 was amended, to provide that the Superintendent of Schools shall report to the Board Semi-annually, (only) in print, at the quarterly meetings in March and September.

Rules and Regulations to be printed.

The Rules and Regulations for 1858, with the foregoing and previous alterations and amendments, were then adopted as the Rules and Regulations of the Board for the present year; and 1500 copies ~~ordered~~ were ordered to be printed

"Annals of the Primary Schools."

Voted, on motion of Dr. Alley, That copies of the "Annals of the Primary Schools" be given to the members of the late Primary School Committee who were members of that

body at the time of its dissolution. April 3. 1860.

Mr. Dawes presented the Specification of the boundary lines of the Grammar School Sections in South Boston, which the Board adopted, as follows: Bigelow School Section; all that portion of South Boston which lies between the Lincoln & Laurence School Sections. Boundaries of School Sections in So. Boston: Bigelow, Laurence, Lincoln.

Lincoln School Section; all that portion of South Boston which lies East of Old Harbor Street, and of a line running through the centre of Fifth and F Streets to the Shore of Boston Harbor.

Laurence School Section; all that portion of South Boston which lies West and North West of D Street.

The Meeting then dissolved.

Attest:

Barnard Capen, Secretary.

June 12. 1860.

A Quarterly Meeting of the School Committee, and also the Annual Meeting for the election of Instructors, was held at the City Hall, on Tuesday, the twelfth day of June, 1860, at 4 o'clock P.M. The President in the Chair.

Present,-

Members Absent:

The whole Board, except Messrs. Ammidown, Burroughs, Homans, Kimball, Norcross, Palmer, of Ward 4, and Stockbridge.

Confirmations & Nominations.

The following teachers were confirmed, having served the usual term of probation;-

Boylston. John Jamieson, Sub-Master in the Boylston School.

Brimmer. Mercy A. Davis, Assistant in the Brimmer School.
Lucy H. Symonds, Primary, in the Brimmer District.
Ann M. Brown and Frances A. Nickles, Assistants in the Lincoln School.

Lincoln

Quincy Catharine B. Clark, Assistant in the Quincy School.
Agnes Duncan, Primary, in the Quincy District.

Winthrop Abby F. Davis, Assistant in the Winthrop School.
Elizabeth P. Bentley, Primary, in the Winthrop District.

Girls High & Normal. Harriet E. Caryl, 2d Ass't. in the Girls High & Norm. School.

The following teachers were nominated as being on probation;-

Boylston. Sarah E. Emmons, Assistant in the Boylston School.

Franklin. Georgiana A. Ballard, Primary, in the Franklin Dist.

Lawrence. Harriet S. Howes, Primary, in the Lawrence District.

Quarterly Reports. The Quarterly Reports of the several Committees on the High Schools and the Grammar School Dis-

tricts, were read and accepted. June 12. 1860.

Ordered, That $43.00 be paid to Miss Elizabeth S. Bentley for services in the Primary School in East Street (Winthrop District) from March 12, to May 1st, 1860. Referred to the Committee on Salaries. Winthrop Dist. Miss Bentley's Services.

Under a Suspension of Rules, Miss Davis' Services.

Ordered, That $66.96 be paid to Abby S. Davies, for services as assistant in the Winthrop School, from March 12, to June 1st.

Ordered, That the Quincy District Committee be permitted to substitute a Head Assistant, in the place of the Usher, whose resignation takes place at the commencement of the next school year. Quincy School Teachers.

On motion of Mr. Riley, it was Certificates of Merit for First Class.

Ordered, That the Committee on Rules and Regulations consider and report on the expediency of establishing "Certificates of Merit" for the First Class in the Grammar Schools, similar to the Certificates now provided for the Second, Third, and Fourth Classes, and to be awarded and distributed as those now are.

Ordered, That the Committee on School Houses consider the request of the Quincy District Committee for an additional Primary School in the District, & report thereon. The Committee on School Houses afterwards reported in favor of the above request, and it was granted by the Board. Quincy Dist. New Primary School authorized.

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Laurence Dist't. New Primary Schools.

Under a suspension of Rules,

Ordered, That two new Primary Schools be established in the Laurence District.

Old Dwight School House: alterations &c.

Under a suspension of Rules, on motion of Ald. Thayer the following Order was passed:

Ordered, That, if the Committee on School Houses, deem it expedient, the City Council be requested to cause the interior construction of the Old Dwight School House, on Concord Street to be changed during the coming Summer vacation, to adapt it to the use of Primary Schools.

Ordered, That the Dwight School Dist. Committee be authorized to establish an additional Primary School.

Girls' High & Normal School.

Services of Miss Sylvester & Greene & Mann.

Dr. Russell offered the following:-

Ordered, That the sum of $33.00 each be paid to Miss Addie E. Sylvester, Miss Annie F. Greene, and Miss Mary L. Mann, for services in the place of Assistant in the Girls' High & Normal School, for the quarter ending May 31st. Referred to the Committee on Salaries, who subsequently reported, recommending its adoption; whereupon the Order passed.

Chapman District. New Primary Schools

Ordered, That the Chapman District Committee be empowered to form two Primary School Classes.

Referred to the Committee on School Houses, who reported in favor of its passage; whereupon it was adopted.

Primary Districts.

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to

erect upon the land recently purchased in the rear of the Brimmer School House, a suitable building for the accommodation of five Primary Schools. Referred to the Committee on School Houses. — June 12, 1860. New Primary School Building.

Mr. Parker offered the following; Ordered, That the District Committee of the Boylston School be authorized to employ a teacher of Sewing in said School, at a salary not exceeding $30 per annum. Referred to the Committee on Salaries. — Boylston School: Salary of Teacher of Sewing.

Dr. Jarvis offered the following: — Ordered; That the next annual Exhibition of the Eliot School take place on Monday, the 23d of July. Rules suspended, and the Order passed. — Eliot School: time of Annual Exhibition.

Mr. Parker presented the petition of Miss Abby M. Parker, for fourteen years a teacher in Primary Schools in the Boylston District, to have allowed and repaid to her the sum of $42.50, which she has paid for the services of a substitute, employed by her in consequence of severe indisposition. Voted to refer the subject to the Committee on Salaries. — Boylston District: Petition of Miss Parker.

The Committee on Text-Books respectfully submit their Annual Report: — Several applications by Publishers or their Agents have recently been made to the Committee, to introduce some new text books into the Grammar Schools, either as additional to those now in use, — Text Books: Ann'l Report of Committee on.

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Com. on Text Books.

Greene's Grammar

or in substitution for them; but the Committee did not think so favorably of these applications as to deem it necessary to notify the Board of them and advise that a copy be sent to each member.

The most important of these applications was for the introduction of Greene's Grammar, in the place of Sullivan's; Quackenbos's History of the United States, in the place of Ivan's First Lessons in the History of the United States; and Quackenbos's Natural Philosophy, in the place of Parker's Compendium, or Olmstead's Rudiments.

The first of these applications is the only one that would be deemed worthy of a moment's consideration. Quackenboss's books are good, but they are not so well adapted to the amount of instruction we propose to give in our schools, on Nat. Philosophy and the History of the United States, as the books of Ivan, Parker and Olmstead, now in use.

In regard to Grammar, various opinions prevail among the Masters, and often much dissatisfaction with Sullivan's is expressed, and it is possible that the introduction of Greene's new Edition would be an improvement; but, as it was quite uncertain whether the requisite two-thirds of the Text Book Committee could agree in recommending it, and more uncertain whether the requisite three fourths, 56, of the whole Board could be found to adopt the recommendations, and more uncertain still whether that number would be present at this or any subsequent meeting, to vote upon the question, the Com-

mittee have taken no action upon the subject.

Another application has been made by A. J. Coolidge, to have his "History and Description of New England," - 1 vol. 8 Oct. 150 pp. - in each of the Grammar Schools, as a book of reference; but, as this application is recent, and can be acted upon at any time, and be determined by a majority of those present at any meeting, the Committee have deferred action for the present, desiring to give the book a more thorough examination.

Coolidge's "History & Description of New England."

They have no suggestions or recommendation to make, therefore, as to the course of instruction in the Grammar Schools.

In the Primary Schools it is believed that some changes in the text-books are very desirable, and important, if they could be made. The subject has been specially urged upon the attention of the Committee by a communication, signed by 25 or 30 of the Primary School Teachers, recommending and asking for some changes. It has received the full consideration of some of the Committee, in conjunction with the Superintendent.

Text Books for Primary Schools

It would be generally admitted, it is presumed, that many of the text books in the Primary Schools are behind the times. They were prepared more than twenty years ago. Some of them have been in Primary Schools all of twenty years. Much better books have been prepared, and can be procured at about the same cost.

It is believed that the following changes in the

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Hilliard's Primary Readers introduced.

text books of the Primary Schools, would be beneficial, and ought to be made. They are recommended to the Board by the requisite two-thirds of the Text-Book Committee; viz.- omit, in the Fifth Class, Town's Gradual Primer, using, instead, the Primary School Tablets. Omit "My First School Book," and introduce "Hilliard's First Primary Reader."

In the Fifth Class, retain Town's Gradual Primer, and "My First School Book" as a Spelling Book, & continue Hilliard's Primary Reader.

In the Forth Class, continue Town's Gradual Primer, and My First School Book, completing the latter as a Spelling book, and introduce Hilliard's Second Primary Reader.

In the Third Class, Barnstead's Second Reading Book, or Hilliard's Second Primary Reader. "Spelling & Thinking Combined" commenced.

In the Second Class, Barnstead's Second Reading Book continued, and Hilliard's Third Primary Reader introduced. "Spelling and Thinking" continued.

First Class. Hilliard's Third Primary Reader continued or Barnstead's Third Reading Book.

It is believed that the new books it is thus proposed to introduce will be hailed with satisfaction by teachers and children; and, as we do not throw out any book, or require any pupil to change his book, the change by addition, which the Committee propose, can be effected by a majority vote.

Respectfully submitted. (Signed,)

J. K. Lothrop, Chairman.

The Report was read, and accepted, and the recommendations therein adopted. — June 12, 1860.

Dr. Read, Chairman of the Committee on Music, nominated for re-election the present Teachers of Music; viz Messrs. Carl Zerahn, Albert Drake, Charles Butler, Edwin Bruce and Samuel Swan. — Teachers of Music nominated.

Dr. Read proposed to amend the Rules & Regulations as follows: to wit, in Sect. 12, Chap. X, so that the said Section shall read as follows:- — Amendment to Rules & Regulations proposed.

Sect. 12. Two half hours each week in the Grammar Schools shall be devoted to the study and practice of Vocal Music. Instruction shall be given to the First and Second Classes by the Music Teacher. Musical Notation, the singing of the Scale, and exercises in simple music shall be practised twice a week by the lower Classes, under the direction of the Assistant Teachers; and the pupils shall undergo examinations, and receive credits for proficiency, in Music, as in the other studies pursued in the Schools. — Vocal Music.

Referred to the Committee on Rules & Regulations.

On motion of Mr. Ellis the Board went into secret session for the election of a Superintendent, and of the Instructors, of the Public Schools. — Secret Session

Voted to proceed to ballot for the choice of a Superintendent of Schools. — Supt. of Schools chosen.

June 12. 1860. The Chair appointed Messrs. Hall, Read, and Duncan a Committee to collect the ballots; who reported that the whole No. of votes was 63: necessary for a choice 32; John D. Philbrick had 55 and he was declared elected.

Election of Masters. Voted, on motion of Mr. H. Mann, to vote for all the Masters on one ballot.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Bates, Eddy & Bigelow a Committee to collect the ballots for the choice of Masters; who proceeded to that duty, and reported the following result:-

Master of the Latin School. Francis Gardner. English High School. Thomas Sherwin. Girls' High and Normal School. William H. Seavey. Adams School. Jerome H. Buttrick. Bigelow. Joseph Hale. Bowdoin. Daniel C. Brown. Boylston. William T. Adams. Brimmer. Joshua Bates. Chapman. John L. Averill. Dwight. in Boys. James J. Page. Dwight. for Girls. Geo. B. Hyde. Eliot. Samuel W. Mason. Franklin. Samuel G. Gould. Hancock. George Allen Jr. Lawrence. Josiah N. Hearns. Lincoln. Samuel Barrett. Lyman. Moses H. Lincoln. Mayhew. Samuel Swan. Phillips. James Havey. Quincy. Charles C. Valentine. Wells. Reuben Swan. Winthrop. Robert Swan.

Salary of Supt. of Schools. Voted, on motion of Dr. Hall, that the salary of the Superintendent be the same as in the past year, viz. Twenty-five hundred Dollars.

Dr. Green, of Ward 10, moved that the Salaries of the Sewing Teachers in the several Schools be uniform, viz: $2 per annum. Voted, on motion of Dr. Bunker, to refer the subject to the Committee on Salaries. June 12, 1860. Sewing Teachers' Salaries

The Teachers in the High and Grammar Schools, and the Teachers of the Primary Schools in the several Districts, were then elected, upon the nomination of their respective Committees, as follows: Election of Instructors.

Latin School. Edwin H. Magill, Sub Master, Charles J. Capen, Moses Merrill and Joseph A. Hale Ushers. N. B. C. De Montalchy, Teacher of French.

English High School: Charles H. Cunston, & Luther V. Anderson, Sub Masters. Ephraim Hunt and Charles Carroll, Ushers. William N. Bartholomew, Teacher of Drawing.

Girls' High and Normal School: Harriet E. Cayl, Head Assistant. Maria A. Bacon, Margaret A. Badger, Helen M. Avery, Emma F. Temple, Catharine Knapp, and Mary E. Scales, Assistants. Carl Zerrahn, Teacher of Vocal Music. William N. Bartholomew, Teacher of Drawing. Jules Hachard, Teacher of French.

Adams School: Robert C. Metcalf, Sub Master, Jane S. Tower, Margaret J. Allison, and Elizabeth E. Lothrop, Head Assistants. Fanny R. Edmunds, Eliza A. Wiggin, Lucy T. Wiggin, and Sarah J. D'Arcy, Assistants. Charles Butler, Teacher of Music.

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Bigelow School. Chas Goodwin Clark, Sub Master, Rachel C. Mathes, Julia M. Baxter & Celinda Seaver, Head Assistants. Martha C. Jenks, Emily A. Russell, Louisa M. Wellington, Elizabeth Williams, Lucy C. Bartlett, and Roxanna N. Blanchard, Assistants. Elizabeth Dodge, Teacher of Sewing. Albert Drake, Teacher of Music.

Bowdoin School. Mary A. Murdock, Rebecca Lincoln, and Nancy A. Smith, Head Assistants. Mary S. Robinson, Elizabeth B. Mitchell, Hannah S. Andrews, Sophia B. Horr, Martha A. Palmer, Irene W. Wentworth, Mary M. Clapp & Mary A. Proctor, Assistants. Charles Butler, Teacher of Music.

Boylston School. John Jameson, Sub Master, Willard T. Cobb, Usher. Lucy C. Howard, Head Assistant. Clarinda R. S. Treadwell, Maria A. Moulton, Caroline Leavitt, Rosetta M. Hodges, Ellen M. S. Treadwell, Mary L. Smith, Sarah Fuller, Ellen M. Kenday, Mary L. Holland, Caroline W. Marshall, Frances H. Nichols, and Mary E. Nichols, Assistants. Eliza A. Baxter, Teacher of Sewing. Charles Butler, Music Teacher.

Brimmer School. Wm. L. S. Boardman, Sub Master. William Reed, Usher, Rebecca L. Duncan, Head Assistant. Mary E. Beck, Augusta E. Farrar, Mercie T. Snow, Susan P. Cunningham, Amanda Snow, Harriet E. Howard, Harriet N. Lane, Mary M. Knight, and Mercie A. Davis, Assistants, Edwin Bruce Teacher of Music.

Chapman School. William H. Ward, Sub Master. Emily Ward, Philura Wight, and Maria D. Kimball.

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Head Assistants; A. Delia Stickney, Mary E. Moore, Louisa M. Collyer, Mary A. H. Pingree, Anne E. Walker, and Sarah J. Butler, Assistants. Charles Butler, as Teacher of Music.

Dwight School for Boys: Charles Hutchins, Sub Master, Lucius A. Wheelock, Usher, Anna C. Ellis, Head Assistant: Jane M. Hight, Anna F. Halstick, Gertrude Taylor, Mary W. Farr, Clara B. Gould, Martha A. Justin, Eliza B. Snow, and Mary J. Ross, Assistants. Charles Butler, Teacher of Music.

Dwight School for Girls: Eliza A. Harding, Head Assistant. Frances E. Keller, Janet M. Crighton, Elnora G. Wright, Susan E. Green, Louisa Tucker, Ann J. Bolden, Betsey H. Warren and Sarah W. Pollard, Assistants. Mrs. E. L. Browne, Teacher of Sewing. Charles Butler, Teacher of Music.

Eliot School: McLaurin F. Cook, Sub Master, Walter H. Newell, Usher, Elizabeth M. Turner, F. Carrie Goodrich, Anna E. Dyke, Flora A. Holbrook, Frances M. Bodge, Angeline M. Cole, Fanny R. Richardson, Clara H. Nickerson, Georgiana D. Russell, Sophia Shephard, and Anna L. Learnard, Assistants. Edwin Bruce, Teacher of Music.

Franklin School: Mary H. Ellis, Catharine F. Simmons and Sarah A. Gale, Head Assistants. L. Isabel Barry, Lydia H. Emmons, F. Catharine Bradford, Elizabeth J. Brown, Sarah P. Mitchell, Mary J. Leach, Mary A. Mitchell, Assistants. Maria F. Wolcott, Teacher of Sewing. Charles Butler, Teacher of Music.

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Hancock School. Phineas G. Parmenter, Sub Master. Angelina A. Brigham, Head Assistant. Susan W. Foster, Emily O. Spencer, Sarah C. White, Henrietta L. Pierce, Helen M. Hitchings, Ellen A. Hunt, Esther F. Wilder, Elizabeth W. Ayer, Achsah Barnes, Malvina R. Brigham, and Mary F. Gale, Assistants. Edwin Bruce, Teacher of Music.

Lawrence School. Henry C. Hardon, Sub Master. L. F. Bradley, Mary W. Conant, and Kate W. Towne, Head Assistants. Lizette C. Merrill, Alice Cooper, Olive M. Jeffords, E. F. Jeffords, Marguerite A. Moriarty, Louisa C. Richards, Jane L. Sharpe, and Mary V. Dillaway, Assistants. Sarah J. Bliss, Teacher of Sewing. Albert Drake, Teacher of Music.

Lincoln School. Charles A. Morrill, Sub Master. Mary E. Balch, Head Assistants. Lucy R. Lloyd, Louisa Bartlett, Myra F. Butterfield, Cynthia H. Sears, Anne M. Brown, and Frances A. Nickles, Assistants. Elizabeth Beddington, Teacher of Sewing. Albert Drake, Teacher of Music.

Eyman School. James F. Blackinton, Sub Master. Mary O. Bulfinch, Mary F. Gage, Cordelia Lothrop, Head Assistants. Eliza F. Russell, Almira G. Smith, Mary A. Turner, and Amelia H. Pitman, Assistants. Charles Butler, Teacher of Music.

Mayhew School. Alfred Hewins, Sub Master. Quincy E. Dickerman, Usher. Emily A. Moulton, Head Assistant. Elizabeth P. Hopkins, Sarah W. P. Copeland, Elizabeth E. West, Helen H. Pierson, Adeline F. Cutter, and Mary G. Powell, Assistants.

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Phillips School: Amphion Gates, Sub Master. John M. Colcord, Usher, Isabella H. Wilson, Head Assistant. Laura M. Porter, Hannah M. Sutton, Elvira M. Harrington, M. Josephine Dugan, Emily A. Perkins, Harriet A. Cunningham, Lucy S. Nevins, and Abby A. Reed, Assistants. Edwin Bruce, Teacher of Music.

Quincy School: Benjamin W. Putnam, Sub Master. Edward Gay, Usher, Josephine L. Tucker, Head Assistants. Lydia A. Hanson, Julia B. Burrill, Harriet D. Hinckley, Angeline A. Moulton, E. Maria Simonds, Olive M. Page, Sarah E. Chandler, Elizabeth T. Bailey, Charlotte L. Wheelwright, Cath. B. Clark, and Emily B. Peck, Assistants, Charles Butler, Teacher of Music.

Wells School: William H. Swan, Sub Master, Matilda A. Gerry, Head Assistant. Mary S. Carter, Sarah F. Lothrop, Juliana Spinell, Lydia L. Chandler, Sarah E. Wiggin, Susan C. Franch, Assistants. Mary E. Mudge, Teacher of Sewing, Edwin Bruce, Teacher of Music.

Winthrop School: Maria L. S. Holbrook, Susan A. W. Loring, Rebecca P. Barry, Almira Seymour, and Martha E. Towne, Head Assistants. Mary Newell, Ellen Sprague, Mary E. Davis, Eliza J. Reed, Mary F. Danforth, Kate L. Perrigo, Georgiana Spinell, Elizabeth R. Briggs, Hannah H. Hosmer, Emily M. Hathaway, Mary G. Ladd, and Susan K. Thaxter, Assistants. Hannah A. Rolfe, Teacher of Sewing.

Primary Teachers, Adams District: Rosa L. Morse, Emily C. Morse, Sarah F. Wiggin, Annette A. Webster,

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Sarah E. Washburn, Mary H. Allen, Susan D. Wilde, Mary E. McLoud and Esther L. Howe.

Pigeon District: Elizabeth F. Howes, Kate A. Clement, Ruth F. Dillaway, Annie E. Gill, Tilly Ann Bolkcom, Josephine B. Ehenington, Sarah A. Graham, Maria A. Cook, & Emeline L. Tolman.

Bowdoin District: Melvenda N. Parker, Mary A. Howe, E. Eliza Mason, Charlotte A. Curtis, S. Elizabeth Adams, Marianne Stephens, F. D.R. Whitman, Olive Ruggles, Sarah A. Cushing.

Boylston District: Sarah A. Lombard, Margaret F. Tappan, Maria W. Parker, Adelia E. Edwards, Emily Parker, Abby M. Parker, Mary E. Sawyer, Maria B. Clapp, Celeste Weed, A. E. N. Treadwell, Anna M. Desmond, Amelia M. Newmarch, Octavia C. Heard, Maria F. Coburn, Mary G. Hillman, Julia B. Lombard, Anna M. Lecain, Harriette B. Cutler, H. Isabella Hopkins, Lydia B. Felt, Mary A. Davis and Celia Hixon.

Brimmer District: Elizabeth Goodridge, Eliza E. Foster, Ellen F. Andrews, Sarah R. Bowles, M. A. Bourne, Dorcas B. Baldwin, Deborah K. Burgess, Sarah Farley, Martha J. Coolidge, Rebecca J. Weston & Cath. M. E. Richardson.

Chapman District: Mary C. Hall, Louisa Curtis, Elizabeth G. Johnson, Huldah H. Mitchell, Emily C. Stinternet, Mary D. Day, Jane E. Beale, Sarah A. Pratt, Helen A. Banks, Mary E. Morse, Sarah A. Small, Melinda L. Barnes, Josephine J. Jones, Hannah F. Crafts, Harriet N. Tyler.

Dwight District: Mary F. Moore, Augusta A. Davis, Mary E. R. Fowle, Henrietta Draper, Eliza G. Swett, Jane P.

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Fitcomb. Caroline F. Barr, Elizabeth Newman, Eliza E. Gould, Anna R. Frost, Caroline S. Sawl, Ellen S. Wildes, and Lydia F. Blanchard.

Eliot District: Sarah F. Train, Cornelia A. Adams, Clarissa Davis, Louisa Myers, Sarah C. Chevaillier, Harriet S. Boody, Eliza Bintnall, Susan D. Knowlton, Mary A. Cushing, Juliaette Davis, Sarah Ripley, Julia Ann Cutts, L. Isabelle Tewksbury, Helen M. Warner, Mary E. Barrett, and Maria A. Gibbs.

Franklin District: Susan H. Chaffee, Abbie K. Sweetser, Helen E. Eaton, Emeline J. Brown, Josephine G. Whipple, Lucy M. Buck, Eliza J. Dyar, Eliza Ann Tirrill, Hannah M. Coolidge, Harriet M. Farron, Caroline A. Miller, and Elizabeth P. Cummings.

Hancock District: Mary L. Cunningham, Sarah L. Shepard, Sarah F. Ellis, Nancy B. Seaver, Amelia M. Bell, Elizabeth F. Frye, Emily A. Tewksbury, Margaret W. Hall, Adeline S. Bodge, Harriet B. Vose, Eunice Linsley, Martha F. Boody, Esther F. Mansfield, Anna H. Burns, Susan Page, Betsey L. Laneby, Kate S. Sawyer.

Lawrence District: Lucinda Smith, Olive W. Green, Sarah S. Blake, Elizabeth S. Allen, Mary F. Peeler, Mary F. Baker, Elizabeth Hill, Mary K. Davis, Sarah V. Cunningham, Sarah K. Glover, Rebecca H. Bird, Mary Lincoln, Anna R. Thornton, Mary A. Macnair, Laura A. Reed, Sarah F. Hall.

Lincoln District: Laura J. Gerry, Mary H. Farron, Caroline S. Burrill, Carrie M. Lyon, Susan W. Smith.

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Lyman District: Mary A. Crane, Mary F. Crosby, Isabella A. Bibby, Hannah C. Atkins, Susan H. Swan, Hannah L. Hanson, Angeline M. Cudworth, Helen H. Plumley.

Mayhew District: Permelia Stevens, Bethia Whiting, Caroline Watson, M. Electa Lamiatt, Mary C. Parker, C. W. Callender, Harriet A. Farnum, Henrietta B. Tower, Harriet M. Warren, Caroline L. Brown.

Phillips District: Mary A. Allen, Sarah M. Turner, Lydia F. Poole, Caroline P. Eastman, Abby A. Lincoln, Eliza A. Corthell, Sarah Ingalls, Harriet H. Kring, Emeline D. Fisk, Ruth M. Sanborn.

Quincy District: Sophronia N. Herrick, Hannah A. Lawrence, Adeline Stockbridge, Lucy C. Haskell, Mary C. Greene, Charlotte L. Young, Sarah C. Sanderson, Elizabeth S. Emmons, Mary A. B. Gore, Caroline L. T. Torrey, Caroline M. Grover, Frances Torrey, Hannah C. Moore, Hannah L. Billings, Harriet N. Dow, Agnes Duncan, Julia A. Wheaton, Rebecca R. Thayer, and Abby M. Mills.

Wells District: Mary F. Jones, Anna A. James, Elizabeth W. Snow, Augusta H. Foster, Lucy M. A. Redding, Mary L. Bailey, Elizabeth S. Crafts, Elizabeth S. Foster, Maria W. Turner, Mary S. Watts.

Winthrop District: Anna C. Jones, Mary B. Browne, Ellen E. Leach, Dora Norton, Mary E. Pettingill, Anna E. Federhen, Mary A. Sylvester, Sarah E. Lewis, Harriet A. Bettis, Priscilla Johnson, Fanny C. Jenison, Elizabeth C. Fink, Henrietta Madigan.

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Mr. James Robinson appointed.

Ordered, on motion of Dr. Lothrop, - That Mr. James Robinson be appointed an assistant teacher for the School year beginning on the first Monday in September next, to perform such services, & give such instruction, in Arithmetic & Book-keeping in either of our Schools, as he may be called on to perform by the Superintendent or either of the Chairmen of our District Committees; at a salary of Six Hundred Dollars a year.

Salaries of Instructors fixed.

On motion of Mr. Randall,

Voted, That the Salaries of the Instructors (with the exception of the Sewing Teachers) be at the same rates as for the present year.

Girls' High & Nor. School: Teacher of German

On motion of Dr. Lyman,

Ordered, That the Committee of the Girls' High and Normal School be authorized to employ a teacher of the German Language, at a salary not exceeding that of the Teacher of French in that School.

American Institute of Instruction: Courtesies to be extended to.

Ordered, - on motion of Dr. Lothrop, - That a Committee of — be appointed on the part of this Board, to confer with His Honor the Mayor, & the City Council, and arrange with them for such accommodations, courtesies and kind attentions as it may be proper to have extended in behalf of our city and citizens, to the members of the American Teachers' Institute, who hold their meeting here in the month of August next.

Committee appointed.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Lothrop, Brewer, Slack, Upham and Plummer, to be that Committee.

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New Grammar School:
Committee on Organization of

Ordered, - on motion of Dr. Brewer, - That the Chairmen and Secretaries, with one other member of each, of the Boylston, Quincy, and Winthrop District Committees, be appointed a Sub Committee to make the necessary preliminary arrangements for the organization of the new Grammar School, about to be established in the rear of Bedford & Chauncy Streets. To complete the Committee the Chair appointed Mr. Parsons, of the Boylston, Mr. Homer, of the Quincy, and Mr. Bigelow of the Winthrop, District Committee.

The Meeting then dissolved.

Attest:

Barnard Capen, Secretary.

A Quarterly Meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held at the City Hall, on Tuesday, the eleventh day of September, 1860, at 4 o'clock P.M. The President in the Chair. — Sept. 11, 1860.

Present.

The whole Board, except Messrs. Ammidown, Bigelow, Dadmun, Dennett, Drew, of Ward 8, Drew, of Ward 9, Greene, of Ward 3, Homer, Hooper, Kimball, Lothrop, of Ward 14, Lyman, Miles, Newell, Nichols, Pain, Parsons, Plummer, Ross, Sawyer, Thurston, Stockbridge, Sturgis, and Whiton. — Members absent.

The Chair read the resignation of Henry A. Miles, as a member of this Board, and the same was accepted. The Chair appointed, as a Committee to report the name of a suitable candidate to fill the vacancy, Messrs. Mannin, Jarvis, Parker, Sturgis and Richardson. — Mr. Miles resigns. — Committee on Vacancy.

The following teachers were confirmed:- — Confirmations

Frances E. Keller and Janet McCrighton, Head Assistants in the Dwight School for Girls, from Sept. 3d, 1860. — Dwight School for Girls.

Susan W. Porter, Assistant in the Hancock School. — Hancock Sch.

Mary J. Newmarch, Assistant in the Lawrence School. — Lawrence "

Myra S. Butterfield, Head Assistant, Lincoln School, from Sept. 3d, 1860. — Lincoln "

Eliza A. Wiggin, Sewing Teacher in the Adams School. — Adams School

Frances E. Close, Sewing Teacher in Lyman School. — Lyman "

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The following teachers were nominated to the Board as being on probation: viz. —

Albert Palmer and Henry A. Clapp, Masters in the Latin School.

Annie F. Greene, commencing June 1st, 1860, and Adeline L. Sylvester, commencing Sept. 1st, 1860, as Assistants in the Girls' High & Normal School.

Margaret A. Bartlett in a Primary School in the Chapman District, commencing Sept. 3d.

Hamm A. Gardner, Assistant in the Dwight School for Boys, from Sept. 3d.

Helen Saxon, Assistant in the Eliot School, and Eliza F. Cosgrave, in a Primary School in the Eliot District, both commencing, Sept. 3d.

Anne B. Hall, Assistant in the Hancock School, commencing, Sept. 3d.

Florence W. Stetson in a Primary School in the Lawrence District, commencing Sept. 3d. 1860.

Semi-Annual Report, Committee on Music.

In accordance with that rule of this Board which defines the duty of the Standing Committee on Music, your Committee most respectfully

Report: -

That the condition of the various Grammar Schools, with respect to the teaching of Music, is satisfactory, and that the study of this branch of education has been prosecuted with good results, and in an earnest and acceptable manner.

In addition to a thorough drill in the elementary portion of the art, great advance has been made in vo-

calization, and, at the Annual Festival the Schools gave good evidence of their proficiency.

It is not necessary, in this report, to recapitulate the features of that occasion, the Board being, of themselves, judges of the success of that Festival in a musical point of view. They would also report that all the teachers who have been employed by the city, in the musical department, have been continued in office; and your Committee feel assured that the coming year will shew increased interest and progress in every department of this most delightful and pleasure-giving study.

In regard to the ~~Festival~~ time of the Festival, and its double character, some objection has been urged by members of the Board. Believing that both departments which have their share of the exercises on that day are worthy the attention of this Board, and, also, believing that, by a division of the subject, the objections urged may be so met as to secure for each department of the instruction in the Public Schools a fair attention, the Committee offer the following Orders.

For the Committee, William Read, Chairman.

1. Ordered, That there shall be an annual exhibition of the Musical Department of the Public Schools, to be held on the Wednesday preceding the School Vacation in May. — Annual Exhibition of Musical Department.

2. Ordered, That the Standing Committee on Music be authorised to have printed for use at the next School Festival such musicas, in their judg- — Music to be printed.

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ment, will best promote the success of that occasion. The Report was read and accepted, and the orders referred, the first to the Committee on Rules and Regulations, the second, with full powers, to the Committee on Accounts.

Quarterly Reports.

The Quarterly Reports of the Committees on the High Schools and the several Grammar School Districts were read and accepted.

Quincy Dist: New Primary Sch. House.

Ordered, That the Committee on School Houses be requested to consider the urgent necessities for a Primary School House in the Quincy District.

The following Orders were offered, and were referred to the Committee on Salaries; who subsequently reported, recommending their adoption, and they were severally adopted: viz:-

Dwight School for Boys: Miss Badger's Services.

Ordered, That there be paid to Miss Carrie L. G. Badger the sum of $26.00, in full for twenty six days services as substitute in the Dwight School for Boys.

Miss Maynard's Services.

Ordered, That there be paid to Miss Anna L. Maynard the sum of $8.00, in full for eight days' services as substitute in the Dwight School for Boys

Dwight Dist: Miss Sylvester's Services

Ordered, That there be paid to Miss Fannie E. Sylvester the sum of $26.00, in full for twenty six days' services as temporary teacher in a Primary School in the Dwight District; and also the sum of $7.00, in full for services as substitute for seven days in the Dwight School for Boys

Ordered, That $75.00 be paid to Miss Jenny Buck, for teaching Sewing in the Hancock School, thirteen weeks, commencing April 16. 1860. — Sept. 11. 1860. Hancock School Miss Buck's Services

The two following Orders were refered to the Committee on Salaries:-

Ordered, That the sum of $12.00 be paid Miss Margaret A. Bartlett, for twelve days' services as teacher in the Monmouth Street Primary School (Chapman District) from July 9th to 21st, inclusive. — Chapman District Miss Bartlett's Services.

Ordered, That the sum of $32.00 be paid to Miss Florence W. Stetson, for services as substitute in a Primary School in the Lawrence District. — Lawrence Distt. Miss Stetson's Services.

Mr. Cobb offered the three following Orders, and moved a suspension of the Rules, to allow immediate action thereon. The Rules were suspended in the case of each, and the Orders were severally adopted, as follows:- — Rules suspended.

1. Ordered, That the City Council be requested to place the Ward Room in Ward 2 at the disposal of the Lyman School District Committee, to be occupied by a Primary School. — Lyman Distt. Primary School Accommodations. &c.

2. Ordered, That the City Council be requested to furnish a room in the Lyman School District suitable for the purposes of Musical instruction and the annual Exhibition.

3. Ordered, That a new Primary School be estab-

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lished in the Lyman District, and that the City Council be requested to furnish a warrant for the same.

Rules suspended. Bigelow Dist. New Primary School.

Mr. Dawes offered the following Order, and moved a suspension of the Rules, for its passage:

Ordered, That a new Primary School be established in the Bigelow District. The Rules were suspended, and the Order passed.

Bigelow & Lawrence Districts New Primary Sch. House.

Ordered, That a new Primary School House, for the accommodation of the Bigelow and Lawrence Districts, and large enough for six Schools, be built in South Boston, Referred to the Committee on School Houses.

Girls' High & Normal School: New Building for.

Dr. Bigelow offered the following:-

Ordered, That immediate application be made to the City Council for the erection of a new School-House, for the accommodation of the Girls' High and Normal School. Referred to the Committee on School Houses.

Primary Schools in Indiana Place.

Dr. Abbey offered the following:-

Ordered, That the two Primary Schools in Indiana Place be transferred to the Brimmer District. Referred, with full powers, to the Committees on the Brimmer and Franklin Districts.

English High School: Philosophical

Dr. Lothrop offered the following:-

Ordered, That One hundred and fifty Dollars be appropriated for repairs and additions to the Philo-

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tasophical Apparatus of the English High School; particularly for the purchase of a pair of Slate-Globes, and a new Microscope. Referred to the Committee on accounts.

Winthrop School House: protection of its light.

Dr. Bumstead offered the following:-

Ordered, That the Secretary communicate to the City Council the importance of protecting the Winthrop School House against the obstruction of its eastern and Southern light, and to express the wish of this Board, that immediate provisions may be made, so far as may be practicable, for the purchase of such portions of the estate on the South and East, as may secure this protection. Referred to the Committee on School Houses.

Mr. Thayer offered the two following Orders:-

Dwight School for Girls: - new name for.

1. Ordered, That the School hitherto known as the Dwight School for Girls, and now located in the new School House on Northampton Street, be hereafter called the Everett School.

Everett School: care of.

2. Ordered, That the Everett School continue in the care of the Dwight School Committee during the remainder of the current Municipal year.

Otis School.

Mr. Bates moved to substitute the name of "Otis" for "Everett" in the foregoing Orders; which motion prevailed, and the Orders as amended were adopted. Mr. Mumin then moved to reconsider

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the vote by which said Orders were adopted. Mr. Kneeger called for the Yeas and Nays on this motion, and they were taken, as follows: Yeas - Messrs. Alley, Ames, Bassett, Brewer, Burroughs, Chandler, Dennie, Eaton, Ellis, Green, of Ward 10, Hall, Hodges, Homans, Jarvis, Kneeger, Leonard, Lothrop, of Ward 6, Marvin, Parker, Rich, Riley, Rolfe, Thick, Thayer, Turner, Tuxbury, Upham, Woodbury, and the President of the Common Council; 29. Nays - Messrs. Bartlett, Bates, Beeching, Burnham, Cobb, Dawes, Duncan, Eddy, Galyan, Hastings, Hinckley, Noble, Palmer, of Ward 3, Palmer, of Ward 4, Randall, Richardson, Russell, Simpson, and Townsend; 19. So the motion to reconsider prevailed.

The question was then taken on the original Orders, offered by Mr. Thayer, and they were adopted.

Yeas & Nays.

Supt. of Schools. First Semi Annual Report.

Mr. Philbrick, Superintendent of the Public Schools, submitted his first Semi-annual Report, in print, which was accepted.

New Grammar School. Report of Committee on organization of.

The Sub Committee for the organization of the new Grammar School to be established in the rear of Bedford and Chauncy Streets, submit the following Report:- "The Committee met for organization early in June, elected the undersigned Chairman, and Dr. Samuel A. Green, Secretary. The members were subsequently invited to meet in consultation with a joint Committee of the City Council, consisting of the members of the Committee on Public

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Instruction and of the Committee on Public Buildings, to consider the plans for the new School House which it was then supposed would be erected near Bedford Street. The members of your Committee who were present favored the construction of a building substantially on the plan of the Quincy School House, and were not in favor of any essential departure from it. They were especially opposed to the substitution of a flat roof, without any attic over the Hall, instead of the pitch-roof, as in the Quincy, which latter has commended itself to their approval by twelve years practical experience. With their views a majority of the Committee on Public Instruction were also understood to coincide. It would, however, seem that these views did not commend themselves to the Committee on Public Buildings, inasmuch as it appears, by the advertised proposal for the new house, that it is in contemplation to erect one upon the plan which received the unanimous disapproval of the members of your Committee, as expressed at that meeting. This plan substitutes a flat roof, in lieu of the present style, and dispenses, altogether, with an attic room above the Hall. These innovations do not commend themselves to your Committee, and it is hoped that, at the proper time, this Board will publicly express their protest against them.

At a moment when our attention has been awakened to the value of these attic rooms, for

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purposes of physical training, the time is not well chosen for a Committee of the City Government, without consulting or ascertaining the views and wishes of this Board, but in direct opposition to the expressed conviction of a Committee of conference, to dispense with them.

Your Committee are unable to recommend the immediate organization of the new Grammar School, on account of the doubt which exists whether the City Government will decide to complete the purchase of the proposed site in the rear of Chauncy Street. From present indications the Committee in charge of the subject will report that, owing to the defects in the title, it is not expedient for the City to make the purchase, and, with this report the Council will probably coincide. Many difficulties may be found in obtaining another suitable lot, and further delays will hardly be avoidable.

Your Committee are therefore obliged, very reluctantly, to modify the report they were prepared to submit, asking the immediate organization of the new Grammar School, and submit, instead, certain recommendations, prospective only, and contingent upon conditions which may not be obtained during the present school year.

The Boylston School for Boys, now contains between 500 and 600; enough to fill all the available rooms in that house. The School for Girls numbers 480; and in the section East of the Worcester Rail Road, to be included in the new district, there are 260 more

Grammar Scholars; in all 740, or nearly enough to fill a house of the largest capacity, were one ready for immediate occupation. Until a School House can be completed these children must be taught under great disadvantage, in six different and and remotely scattered groups; a condition quite undesirable, expensive to the City, laborious to the teachers, and unjust to the children, who are denied the advantages enjoyed in more favored districts. Your Committee therefore recommend (the passage of the accompanying Orders:)

1. Ordered, That when the City Government shall complete the purchase of a lot for the erection of a new School House, and the plans for the same, the following shall be the boundary lines of the Section for the new School for Girls:- State Street, from the Water, Washington, Summer, Chauncy, Essex and Kingston Streets, the Worcester Rail Road to its junction with Albany Street, and a line drawn at a right angle to Albany Street, to the water.

Boundaries of new Grammar School Section

2. Ordered, That the Sub Committee shall also be then authorised to organize the new School upon the prescribed plan of a Girls' Grammar School, the same to remain under the Supervision of Mr. Adams, Master of the Boylston School, until the house for their accommodation shall have been completed.

Supervision of new Grammar School

For the Committee. Thomas M. Brewer, Chairman.

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The Report was read, and accepted, and the Orders recommended therein were adopted.

Dr. Palmer, from the Committee on Salaries, reported the following Order, and the same was adopted:-

Ordered: That $42.00 be paid to Miss Elizabeth P. Bentley, for services in the primary school in East Street, from March 12 to May 1st, 1860.

Report of Com. on Salaries on Petition of Abby E. Parker.

The Committee on Salaries, to whom was referred the petition of Miss Abby M. Parker, asking the Board to allow and repay to her the sum of Forty-two dollars & fifty cents, paid by her, when sick, to a substitute, respectfully Report:-

That the matter has been fully considered, and that the Committee are unanimously of the opinion that the petition ought not to be granted; and for the following reasons: First,- the Board has provided that when any instructor shall be absent from school, and a temporary instructor ordered necessary, the amount required to pay said substitute shall be withdrawn from the salary of the absentee. Secondly: The law & justice involved in such cases have been clearly elucidated by the City Solicitor, who thus expresses himself:- "My opinion is requested as to the legal right and power of the Committee to grant to any teacher in the employment of the City, an allowance for the expenses of a substitute, in case of the teacher's illness. I will indicate the principles by which

I think the Committee should be governed in this respect. The powers and duties of the Committee are in the nature of those of a Trustee. They have ends to be accomplished, not for their own benefit, but for the benefit of others; and the means by which these ends are to be accomplished, belong, not to the Committee, but to the public.

The Committee are thus a middle party, using and administering the funds committed to their charge, strictly for purposes of the trust, and for no other purpose. They may be just, but they may not give gratuities. If the Committee, having contracted with a teacher for his services for a stipulated sum, should afterwards become satisfied that the contract is unequal, and onerous upon such teacher, they are undoubtedly at liberty to relieve the hardship, by adding to the stipulated salary: but, if the teacher has met with an accident or misfortune, which appeals to the sympathy and liberality of the humane and benevolent, such an appeal cannot be responded to by the Committee." For the above reasons the Committee on Salaries respectfully recommend that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. Respectfully submitted. For the Committee, Ezra Palmer.

Read and, on motion of Mr. Parker, laid upon the table.

On motion of Mr. Tuxbury, — Report of Supt. of Schools referred:

Ordered, That the Report of the Superintendent of Public Schools be referred to a Committee of five,

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with instructions to consider and report what, if any, action should be taken by this Board in relation to the same, and the suggestions therein contained relating to the subject of Physical Training. The Chair appointed as that Committee Messrs. Tuttle, Bates, Cobb, Lothrop, Ward 6, and Thayer.

Physical Training

Convention proposed to fill a vacancy.

Dr. Jarvis offered the following:-

Whereas, a vacancy exists in this Board, caused by the resignation of Henry A. Miles, of Ward 5,-

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Board of Mayor and Aldermen, proposing a Convention of both Boards on Monday, October 1st, at Four o'clock P.M. for the purpose of filling said vacancy; and that public notice be given of the same, pursuant to law. Passed.

Committee to prepare the Annual Report

The Chair appointed the following Committee to prepare the Annual Report required by the Rules of the Board; viz, Messrs. Dawes, Alley, Eddy, Haskins, Marvin, Plummer and Woodbury.

Free passage over Ferries, of pupils in East Boston

Ordered, ~~on motion~~ offered by Mr. Cobb, - That the City Government be requested to provide for the free passage across the Ferries of the children residing in East Boston, on their way to and from the public High Schools. Refered to a Special Committee, consisting of Messrs. Cobb, Ellis, Palmer, of Ward 4, Dennie and Bartlett.

The Chair appointed Dr. Townsend to fill the vacancy in the Committee on Rules and Regulations, caused by the resignation of Dr. Miles. Sept. 11. 1860. Vacancy filled in Com. on Rules & Regulations.

The Board thereupon adjourned.

Attest:

Barnard Capen,
Secretary.

A Meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held at the City Hall, on Monday, the first day of October, A.D. 1860, at 4 o'clock P.M. The President of the Common Council in the Chair. Oct. 1. 1860.

Present:-

The whole Board, except Messrs. Alley, Ammidown, Beeching, Bigelow, Chandler, Colby, Dennie, Drew, of Ward 8, Duncan, Eddy, Ellis, Haskins, Hodges, Homans, Lothrop, of Ward 6, Newell, Norcross, Paine, Parker, Parsons, Plummer, Randall, Ross, Shurtleff, Stockbridge, Stuigis, Whiton, and the President of the Board. Members absent.

The Chair read the acceptance of the Board of Aldermen, of a proposition for a Convention of the two Boards, for the purpose of filling the vacancy caused by the resignation of Henry A. Miles of Ward 5. Convention held, to fill Vacancy.

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Committee on Vacancy Report.

The Committee appointed to nominate a candidate to fill the vacancy in Ward 5, have attended to that duty, and unanimously present the name of Mr. Joshua G. Wilbur, as the candidate

In behalf of the Committee, T. R. Marvin,

Chairman.

Joshua G. Wilbur elected.

Thereupon the Convention was held. The Chair appointed Alderman Emery, and Messrs. Drew of Ward 9, and Bates, a Committee to collect the ballots; who reported the whole number to be 48; of which there were 43 for Joshua G. Wilbur, and he was declared elected.

The Convention then dissolved.

Vacancies in Committees filled.

The Chair appointed Mr. Wilbur to fill vacancies in the Committees on the English High School, & the Phillips and Wells School Districts.

Confirmations &c. Bigelow District.

The following Teachers were nominated as being on probation:- Caroline R. Holway, in a Primary School in the Bigelow District, commencing Sept. 19, 1860.

Boylston School.

Emmi L. G. Badger, and Anna L. Maynard, Assistants in the Boylston School, commencing Sept. 3d, and Miss Henrick J. White, Assistant in the same School, commencing Sept. 19th.

Elliot School.

Sophia A. Poole, Head Assistant in the Elliot School, commencing Sept. 3d.

Laurence School.

Mary J. Newmarch was confirmed as Assistant in the Laurence School.

Winthrop School.

Charles Butler was confirmed as Teacher of Music in the Winthrop School.

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Report, Comm. on Salaries Miss Bartlett's Services. - Chapman Dist.

Dr. Palmer, from the Committee on Salaries, reported, for adoption, the following Orders: -

Ordered. That the sum of $12.00 be paid Miss Margaret A. Bartlett, for twelve days' service as Teacher in the Monmouth Street Primary School, (Chapman District) from the 9th to the 21st of July, inclusive.

Laurence Dist. - Miss Stetson's Services.

Ordered. That the sum of $30.00 be paid to Miss Florence W. Stetson, for services as Substitute in a Primary School in the Laurence District.

Both Orders passed.

Hancock School: Miss Cutter's Services.

Dr. Hall offered the following: -

Ordered. That $11.00 be paid to Miss Abby Cutter for eleven days' service as an Assistant in the Hancock School, commencing Sept. 18, and ending Sept. 29th. Refered to the Committee on Salaries, who subsequently reported in favor of its adoption, and it was adopted.

Reception to the Prince of Wales.

On motion of Dr. Read, it was

Ordered, That the Standing Committee on Music be authorized to organize a choir from among the pupils of the Public Schools, for the purpose of assisting at the Reception to be given to the Prince of Wales, by the City Authorities, on Thursday, Oct. 18th, at the Music Hall.

Tickets to above.

An order offered by Mr. Slack, as to the disposition of Tickets to the Musical Festival indicated by the above Order, was laid upon the table.

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Report of Com. on School Houses: "New Primary Sch. House in Quincy District"

The Committee on School Houses, to whom was referred the consideration of the want of a new Primary School House in the Quincy District, have attended to the duty, and Report:- There are now three schools in said District which are only temporarily provided for, with insufficient accommodations in a private house in Kingston Street, corner of Essex Street. The rooms are contracted, do not permit full, nor even all the desirable, conveniences for small schools, are close, badly ventilated, and unhealthy in Winter, and and have no yard-room privileges for the recreation and exercise of the children. The building has been hired on a short lease, which will soon expire, at a rent beyond its value to the City.

For these reasons, your Committee are of the opinion, that the immediate erection of a new School-House in this District is imperatively called for.

They therefore recommend the adoption of the following Order. For the Committee,

Otis Kimball, Chairman.

Order passed

Ordered, That the Secretary transmit to the City Government the urgent necessity which, in the opinion of this Board, exists, for the immediate erection of a School House, for the accommodation of not less than three Primary Schools, in the immediate vicinity of the corner of Essex and Kingston Streets.

Read, and accepted, and the Order passed.

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Report,
Com^ee on
Sch. Houses:
"Yard Room
for the
Winthrop
School"

The Committee on School Houses, to whom was referred the Order recommending the purchase of additional yard-room for the Winthrop School, have attended to the subject and Report:-

The Winthrop is the largest Grammar School in the city, having more than a thousand pupils on register. The yard room is insufficient, being hardly more than a mere passage-way around the main building. On the East, where the space is occupied by the outbuildings, and on the South, the distance from the walls of the house to the limits of the yard, no where exceeds fifteen feet. The Eastern light of the four Northern rooms is partially protected by Dix Place, which will always be open; but the Eastern light of four of the Southern rooms, and the Southern light of all on that side of the building, may at any moment be seriously impaired, or even ruined, by the erection of high buildings on the adjoining estates. The proprietors of these estates are willing to dispose of such portions as will forever secure this valuable School House from injuries that would seriously impair its value, at prices which do not seem disproportioned to their intrinsic worth to the City. Your Committee, therefore, recommend the adoption of the Order in question.

For the Committee, Otis Kimball, Chairman.

Ordered. That the Secretary communicate to the City Council the importance of protecting the Winthrop School House against the obstruction of its Eastern and Southern light; and express the wish

Order passed.

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of this Board that immediate provisions may be made, so far as may be practicable, for the purchase of such portions of the estate on the South and East, as may secure this protection.

Read, and accepted, and the Order passed.

Blossom St. Bowdoin Dist. Purchase of land in, for Primary School.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Kimball, That the City Council be requested to take into consideration the purchase of a lot of land in Blossom Street, directly in front of the Primary School House in that Street.

Mr. Burroughs offered the two following Orders, which were referred to the Committee on Text Books:-

Barnard's Am. Journal of Education.

Ordered, That one copy of the first five volumes of Barnard's American Journal of Education be purchased for each of the High & Grammar Schools.

History & Description of New England.

Ordered, That one copy of Coolidge & Mansfield's Hist. & Description of New England, Vol. 1. be purchased as a Book of Reference for each of the High & Grammar Schools.

Com^ee to report in print.

Voted, That the Committee on Semiannual Report of the Sup^t. of Schools have leave to report in print.

Chairman of Convention in absence of Mayor.

Ordered, That the City Solicitor inform this ~~Board~~ Committee: In the absence of the Mayor, who next is Chairman when said Committee is in Convention with the Aldermen? (motion of Alb. Riley.) Adjourned.

Attest. Barnard Capen, Secretary.

A Quarterly Meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held at the City Hall on Tuesday, the eleventh day of December, 1860. at 4 o'clock P.M. The President in the Chair. Present, — The whole Board except Messrs. Ammidown, Bartlett, Bassett, Bates, Chandler, Eddy, Lothrop, of Ward 6, Paine, Sturgis, Whiton, and the President of the Common Council.

Dec. 11. 1860. Quarterly Meeting

Absent Members.

The Chair read the opinion of the City Solicitor, furnished in compliance with the Order passed at the last meeting of the Board. Accepted, and placed on file.

City Solicitor's Opinion.

The Chair read a communication from the City Council, referring to this Board the petition of the School Committee of Ward 12, for the erection of a new Primary School House in that Ward. It was, thereupon, Voted to refer said petition to the Committee on School Houses; who subsequently reported the following Order, and the same passed. —

Ordered, That application be made to the City Council, for a suitable building at South Boston, to accommodate the Primary Schools in the Bigelow and Lawrence Districts.

Primary School Accommodations in Ward XII. — Bigelow & Lawrence Districts.

The following Teachers were confirmed. —
Annie S. Greene and Addie E. Sylvester, Assistants in the Girls' High and Normal School.
Mary J. Hoffman, Assistant in the Adams School, commencing Dec. 1st.

Confirmations. Girls' High & Norl. School. Adams School.

Dec. 11. 1860 Frances C. Close, Sewing Teacher in Chapman School.

Chapman Sch. Jane M. Chennington, Apistant in the Bigelow School.

Bigelow " Sophia A. Poole, Head Assistant, and Helen Faton,

Eliot " Assistant, in the Eliot School.

" District Eliza J. Cosgrave, in a Primary School in the Eliot District.

Franklin " Georgiana F. Ballard, in a Primary School in the Franklin District, commencing May 1st.

Hancock Sch. Anne B. Hall, Assistant in the Hancock School.

Lincoln " Ariadne B. Jewell, Assistant in the Lincoln School.

Phillips Dist. Josephine Couthouy, in a Primary School in the Phillips

Quincy " District. Caroline A. Morris, in a Primary School in the Quincy District

Wells School Lydia A. Beck, Assistant in the Wells School.

Nominations The following Teachers were nominated as being

Adams School on probation: - Mary E. White, Apistant in the Adams School, commencing Dec. 1st.

Brimmer Dist. Eliza F. Moriarty, commencing June 5th, and Emma F. Whiton, commencing Nov. 1st, in Primary Schools in the Brimmer District.

Dwight Dist. Mary A. Crocker, in a Primary School in the Dwight District, commencing Oct. 22nd.

Eliot School Virginia Wheat, Apistant in the Eliot School

Hancock Martha F. Winning, Apistant in the Hancock School, commencing Oct. 1st, and Jennie Buck, Teacher of Sewing in the same School, commencing Sept. 3d.

School

Hanc. District Fanny Harrod, in a Primary School in the Hancock District, commencing Nov. 1st.

Lincoln Lydia N. Bates, commencing Nov. 1st, and Mary Harris

District commencing Oct. 10th, in Primary Schools in Lincoln District.

Juliette Smith, Assistant in the Lawrence School, commencing Dec. 3d; and Mary E. Fox, in a Primary School in the Lawrence District, commencing Oct. 4th — Dec. 11. 1860. Lawrence School " District.

Sarah J. Bosworth, in a Primary School in the Lyman District, commencing Sept. 17th — Lyman "

Marian A. Flynn, in a Primary School in the Quincy District, commencing Oct. 1st; and A. G. Cummings, Assistant in the Quincy School, commencing Dec. 3d — Quincy School " District.

Abbie A. Cutter, Assistant in the Winthrop School, commencing Dec. 1st; and Susan Fizzell, in a Primary School in the Winthrop District, commencing Oct. 22nd — Winthrop School " District.

Mr. Plummer offered the following, which was passed under a suspension of the Rules: -

Ordered, That Sec. 24. Chap. IV, of the Rules & Regulations be amended as follows: - strike out all following the word "expedient," in the last line but two, and add, "and their report, which shall be presented at the quarterly meeting in December, when, accepted by the Board, shall be printed for distribution among the citizens." — Rules & Regulations amended.

Dr. Lothrop offered the following: - Eng. High School: Assistant Usher.

Ordered, That the Committee on the English High School be authorised to employ, for a period not exceeding three months, an assistant Usher, at a salary corresponding, proportionally, to that of the Ushers of said School during the first year of their service. Refered to the Committee on Salaries.

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Quarterly Reports.

The Quarterly Reports of the Committees on the several High Schools and Grammar School Districts were read and accepted.

Mr. Burroughs offered the following, and moved a suspension of the Rules, for its passage: the Rules were suspended, and the Order passed: -

Franklin Dist^t. New Primary Schools authorised.

Ordered, That the Franklin District Committee be authorized to establish two additional Primary Schools, in the new School House in Suffolk Street.

Dwight District. New Prim. Sch^l authorised.

Ordered, That the Dwight District Committee be authorised to establish an additional Primary School. Passed, under a suspension of the Rules.

Winthrop Dist^t. Primary Accommodations in East Street

Ordered - on motion of Dr. Brewer, - That the Committee on School Houses communicate to the next City Council the inadequacy of the School House in East Street for the accommodation of the Primary Schools contained therein, and the necessity for additional yard-room for the same.

Quincy District. Miss Rowe's Services

Dr. Hodges offered the following: -

Ordered: That Miss R. E. Rowe be paid $22.98, for 28 days' services as teacher in the new Primary School in Hudson Street. Refered to Com. on Salaries.

Report of Comm^e on Text Books.

The Committee on Text Books respectfully report on the following Orders refered to them: -

1. "Ordered, That one copy of the first five volumes of

Barnard's American Journal of Education be purchased for each of the High and Grammar Schools." Dec. 11. 1860. Barnard's Am. Journal of Education.

As these volumes contain a greater amount of information, and a more profound and thorough discussion of all the great questions connected with the subject of Education, than can be found elsewhere, so that they form, in fact, a sort of Encyclopedia of Education, the Committee recommend the adoption of the Order.

2. "Ordered, That one copy of Coolidge & Mansfield's History and Description of New England, Vol. I. be purchased as a book of Reference for each of the High and Grammar Schools." Hist. & Description of New England.

As this work is still in process of publication, and its value, as a book of Reference, will depend largely upon the manner in which the remaining portion is executed, the Committee recommend the postponement of the Order, till the work is completed.

The Committee have received an application from the Publishers of Barry's History of Massachusetts, to introduce into each of the High and Grammar Schools a copy of that work as a book of Reference. There can be no question as to the character of Mr. Barry's book. It is the best History of Massachusetts that has been written. Barry's History of Massachusetts.

It is but little needed as a book of Reference in the Grammar Schools, if not is needed, and would be used in the Libraries of the High Schools. The Committee therefore submit an Order to that effect:-

Dec. 11, 1860. 3. Ordered. That one copy of Barry's History of Massachusetts be placed in the Libraries of the Latin, English High, and Girls' High and Normal Schools.

Slate Globes. The Committee have also received an application from Dean and Munger, to introduce into the High and Grammar Schools of the city their Slate Globes, a model of which is in the Superintendent's Room, open to the inspection of the Members of this Board. The object of these Globes is to enable the pupil to learn Geography by constructing it for himself, upon a surface similar in shape to that of the Earth, by drawing Geographical lines and maps upon a sphere, rather than on the plane surface of the Blackboard.

These Globes have already been introduced into some public, and many private schools, and, wherever introduced, are ~~most~~ highly commended as most valuable helps in teaching and learning Geography.

The Committee recommend their introduction into our Schools, and submit an order to that effect:

4. Ordered: That one of Dean and Munger's 15-inch Slate Globes be purchased for each of the Grammar Schools, and one or more for each of the High Schools,—the Latin, English High, and Girls' High & Normal.

Respectfully submitted. J. K. Lothrop.

The Report was read, and accepted. Order No. 1, as to Barnard's Journal, was adopted. The recommendation as to Coolidge and Mansfield's History &c, passed.

Order No. 3, as to Barry's History, was adopted. Order No. 4, as to the Slate Globes, was likewise adopted.

Dr. Palmer, of Ward 4, read the Report of the Committee on Salaries upon the subject of the Salaries to be paid to the Teachers of Sewing. The Report was, on motion of Mr. Parker, laid on the table, and ordered to be printed for distribution to the members.

Dec. 11. 1860. Report, Comm^ee on Salaries: Salaries of Sewing Teachers.

The Committee on Rules and Regulations, to whom was referred an Order for establishing "Certificates of Merit for the First Class in the Grammar Schools, similar to the Certificates now provided for the Second, Third, and Fourth Classes, and to be awarded, and distributed as those now are, respectfully report in favor of the adoption of the Order, with an amendment. The pupils in the 1^st Division of the 1^st Class in the Grammar Schools who are candidates for medals, but fail to receive them, ought not to be candidates for the Certificates, which are designed to be encouragements to those pupils who, however industrious and faithful, have no hope or chance of a medal. They would have the Order read, therefore, as follows:- "There shall be Certificates of Merit for the pupils of the 2^nd and 3^d divisions of the First Class in the Grammar Schools similar to those now provided for the Second, Third and Fourth Classes, and to be awarded and distributed as those now are." With this amendment they recommend the adoption of the Order.

Report, Comm^ee on Rules & Regula^ns: "Certificates of Merit for the First Class."

Upon the Order referred, proposing to amend the 12^th Section of the 10^th Chapter of Rules and Regulations, so that it shall read as follows, - "Two half

Vocal Music: Instruction in.

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hours each week, in the Grammar Schools, shall be devoted to the study and practice of Vocal Music. Instruction shall be given to the First and Second Classes, by the Music Teacher. Musical Notation, the singing of the Scale, and exercises in reading simple music shall be practised twice a week, by the lower classes, under the direction of the Assistant Teacher: and the pupils shall undergo examinations, and receive credits for proficiency, in Music, as in other studies pursued in the Schools." - The Committee recommend that the amendment, which is merely verbal, be adopted.

Annual Exhibition of Music

Upon the Order referred, "That there shall be an annual Exhibition of the Musical Department of the Public Schools, to be held on the Wednesday preceding the School Vacation in May," - the Committee would report that they have given this Order very full and serious consideration. At some future time, after the grand organ that is building for the Music Hall shall have been put up, it may be expedient to make the change contemplated by this Order. At present the Committee think it inexpedient to separate the Musical Festival from the Annual School Festival in July; and therefore recommend that the Order be not adopted. Respectfully submitted.

S. K. Lothrop, Chairman.

Read and accepted, and the recommendations of the Committee adopted, on Mr. Marvin's motion.

The Committee on School Houses, to whom was refered

the following Order, "That immediate application be made to the City Government for the erection of a new School House for the accommodation of the Girls' High and Normal School," respectfully Report:-

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That they have made inquiry into the subject of the Order submitted for their consideration, and find the present school building entirely inadequate to the present requirements of the School. There are not a sufficient number of Rooms for the Classes, and even the rooms already had are much too small to accommodate the number of pupils that are crowded into them. There is a great deficiency in recitation rooms, and no convenience for putting away the bonnets and cloaks of the scholars. The entry-ways and stairs are narrow, dark and dangerous; and the whole building is far below the standard of what would be considered admissible for any of the Grammar Schools.

The Committee can see no way that the building in the present occupation of the School can be altered or enlarged to answer the requirements of the School. They believe that its situation is just what is required, and that a new building on an enlarged lot, by purchasing the estate of the Boston Society of Natural History, is essential to the well being of the School. They therefore recommend that the Order be passed, and communicated to the City Council. Respectfully submitted.

Otis Kimball, Chairman.

Read, and accepted, and the Order passed.

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Prim'y School accommodations. Ward XII. Bigelow and Lawrence Dist's.

Report Comm'ee on School Houses thereon.

The Committee on School Houses, to whom was referred the request of the Committees of the Lawrence and Bigelow Districts, recommend that application be made to the City Council for the erection of a suitable building, to meet the wants of the Petitioners; and propose the passage of the accompanying Order.

Respectfully submitted. For the Committee,

Otis Kimball Chairman.

Ordered. That application be made to the City Council for a suitable building at South Boston, to accommodate the Primary Schools in the Bigelow & Lawrence Districts. The Order passed.

On motion of Dr. Lyman, it was

Voted, That, when the Board adjourn, it adjourn to meet on Monday, the thirty-first instant.

New Grammar School: Accommodations for the Boylston & Winthrop Schools: Report of Committee on.

Dr. Brewer, from the Committee having in charge the subject of a new Grammar School in the East-ern part of the city, read a statement, showing the necessity of additional accommodations for the relief of the Boylston and Winthrop Schools; and submitted the following recommendation:

That, at the commencement of the next School-year, the Boylston School, with the surplus of the Winthrop, be organized as two distinct Grammar Schools; and that application be made to the City Government for the accommodation of the girls' School, until a suitable School house has been erected. The recommendation passed.

Mr. Dawes submitted the Annual Report of the School Committee; whereupon, on motion of Dr. Lyman, it was - Ordered, That the Committee on the Annual Report be authorised to print the usual number of copies for distribution among the citizens. — Dec. 11. 1860. Ann.l Report of School committee.

Mr. Thayer offered the two following Orders, and they were referred to the Committee on Salaries; and afterwards passed: — Dwight School Miss Wadleigh's Services

Ordered, That the sum of $18.00 be paid to Miss Jannie E. Wadleigh, in full for services as substitute in the Dwight School, from Oct. 22 to Nov. 1, inclusive.

Ordered, That the sum of $30.00 be paid to Miss Louisa M. Alline, in full for services as substitute in the Everett School, from Oct. 22, to Nov. 24, inclusive. — Everett School Miss Alline's Services

Mr. Duncan offered the following Order: viz. — Lincoln School. Miss Bates's Services.

Ordered, That the sum of $32.00 be paid to Miss Lydia N. Bates, for service in the Lincoln School, as a substitute, from Sept. 6th, to Oct. 14th.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries, who subsequently recommended its adoption, and it was thereupon adopted.

Mr. Tuttle submitted in print, - City Document, No. 94, - the Report of the Committee to whom was referred the Semi-annual Report of the Superintendent of Public Schools; embracing the following Orders for the purpose of carrying — Report of Com.e on Supt.s Semi-ann.l Report as to

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Physical Training

into effect the recommendations of the Committee
1. Ordered, That Sect. 2. Chap. 1 be amended by inserting, after the words "On Music," on Physical Training.
2. Ordered, That Chap. IV. of the Rules be amended by inserting, after Sect. 9, a new Section, as follows:
Sect. 10. The Committee on Physical Training shall appoint, and nominate to the Board for confirmation, a suitably qualified person as a teacher of gymnastics and calisthenics, and shall have a general supervision of the sanitary provisions & arrangements of the Schools, and submit a semi-annual report thereon at the quarterly meetings in March and September.
3. Ordered, That the teacher of gymnastics shall devote his time during school sessions, in aiding and instructing the teachers in training their pupils in gymnastic and calisthenic exercises, under the direction of the Committee on Physical Training.
4. Ordered, That the salary of the Teacher of Gymnastics be fixed at —— per annum.
5. Ordered, That the teachers in all the public schools be required to devote a part of each school session to physical exercises, not exceeding half an hour, and not less than a quarter of an hour.
Voted to lay the Report on the table.

Girls' High & Nor. School.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Riley, That the Committee on Rules and Regulations consider, and

report at the next meeting on, the expediency of changing the number of the Committee on the Girls' High and Normal School, from five members of the School Committee, to twelve members, one from each Ward. Dec. 11. 1860. Change in Number of Comm'ee on.

Mr. Cobb submitted the Report of the Committee to whom was submitted the Order (Sept. 11) relative to the free passage across the Ferry, of pupils in the Eng. High, Latin, and Girls' High & Normal Schools, residing in East Boston; recommending the passage of the Order. Voted to lay on the table, and print, the Report. Report of Comm'ee on Free passage over E. Boston Ferries.

The Committee to whom was referred (with full powers) the order transferring the two Primary Schools in Indiana Place, from the Franklin to the Brimmer District, Report, that they have found inexpedient to make the proposed transfer. Respectfully submitted. Henry Barnoughs jr. Chairman. Read, and accepted. Primy Schools in Indiana Place.

On motion of Mr. Kimball, Ordered, That the Committee on Rules & Regulations consider the expediency of so amending Sect. 5. Chap. 1. as to provide for Monthly Meetings of the Board. Monthly Meetings of the Board.

Ordered, That the Committee of the Boylston District have leave to establish a new Primary School. Referred to the Committee on School Houses. Boylston Dist't: New Primary School wanted.

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Boylston Dist^t. Miss Couthony's Services.

Ordered, That the sum of Six Dollars be paid to Miss Josephine Couthony for six days services as temporary teacher in the Boylston School - from Sept. 3^d to Sept. 8, 1860 inclusive. Refered to the Committee on Salaries.

Adams School. Miss Hall's Services

Ordered, That the sum of Six Dollars be paid to Miss Anna Hall, for six days service as Substitute in the Adams School. Refered to the Committee on Salaries.

Adams School. Miss Hamblin's Services.

Ordered, That the sum of Two Dollars be paid to Miss Josephine Hamblin, for two days' service as substitute in the Adams School. Refered to the Committee on Salaries.

Adams School. Miss Hoffman's Services.

Ordered, That the sum of Fifty-seven Dollars be paid to Mary T. Hoffman, for fifty-seven days' service as substitute in the Adams School. Refered to the Committee on Salaries.

Adjourned.

Attest:

Barnard Capen, Secretary.

Dec. 31. 1860.

A Meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held, agreeably to adjournment, at the City Hall, on Monday, the 31st day of December, 1860, at Four o'clock P.M.

Members absent.

The President in the Chair. Present, the whole Board, except Messrs. Ammidown, Bartlett, Bates, Bigelow, Drew, of Ward 8, Ellis, Haskins, Norcross, Randall, Ross, Shurtleff, Simpson, Sturgis, and Whiton.

Confirmations. Brimmer Dist. Franklin Dist. Lyman School. " District Winthrop Sch.

The following Teachers were confirmed; viz,- Eliza F. Moriarty, Primary, in the Brimmer District. Jane S. Hobart, Primary, in the Franklin District. Frances E. Close, Sewing, in the Lyman School. Sarah J. Bosworth, Primary, in the Lyman District. Abbie F. Davis, Assistant in the Winthrop School.

Nominations. Everett School Lyman Dist.

Nominations, on probation; Elizabeth A. Brown, in the Everett School, an Assistant. Clara J. Dyer, Primary Teacher in the Lyman Dist.

Report. Com. on Sch. Houses: New Pri. School in Boylston District

Mr. Kimball, Chairman of the Committee on School Houses, reported the following Order; viz:- Ordered, That the Committee of the Boylston School District be authorized to establish the school petitioned for. (Dec. 11th) Passed.

Report Comm. on Rules and Regulations:

The Committee on Rules and Regulations respectfully submit a report upon two Orders referred to their consideration at the last meeting of the Board. The first of them was as follows;-

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Monthly Meetings of the Board.

Report of Comm^ee on Rules & Regulations. (continued.)

"Ordered, That the Committee on Rules & Regulations consider the expediency of so amending Sect. 5, Chap. 1, as to provide for Monthly Meetings of the Board." The present rules provide for Quarterly Meetings of the Board, authorise the President to call a special meeting whenever, in his judgment, it is necessary, and require him to do so whenever any five members of the Board request him to do so. This would seem to be ample provision for the transaction of the regular and appropriate business of the Board, & for any emergencies that may occur, requiring a special meeting, especially when it is considered that large discretionary powers are given to the District Committees; that none of them nor any Standing Committee consists of less than five members; so that it is competent for any of these Committees to request the President to call a special meeting, whenever, and if ever, the business in its department makes it necessary.

The business of the Board, covering a thorough care and oversight of the Public Schools, and of all the interests of Public Instruction in the city, has never, it is believed, been more fully and faithfully done than in this very year 1860, which, this day, draws to a close; and yet, we have never had so few special meetings, - which is pretty conclusive evidence that Monthly Meetings of the Board are not necessary. The effect of Monthly Meetings would be to diminish the regularity and punc-

quality of attendance. There would be a less feeling of responsibility than attaches now to the Quarterly Meetings, and to such Special Meetings as may be called. There would often be difficulty in obtaining a quorum. In view of these considerations the Committee recommend that the Order be not adopted.

The second Order was as follows:- "Ordered, That the Committee on Rules and Regulations consider, & report, at the next meeting, on the expediency of changing the number of the Committee on the Girls' High and Normal School, from five members of the School Committee, to twelve members, - one from each Ward." This is, unquestionably, an important Order, and the change it contemplates seems, at first, wise and appropriate. As a general principle it is true that, just in proportion as you enlarge a Committee you diminish the sense of individual responsibleness, and the work of a Committee is either neglected, or falls into the hands of a few of the members, who are interested and faithful to their duty. This principle works against the Order, and justifies its rejection, unless there be strong arguments for its adoption. The arguments which the Committee have heard urged are, first, that, as that School covers the whole city, is partly Normal in its character, where many young ladies are studying with a view to becoming candidates hereafter for employment in the Grammar & Primary

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Report of Comm'ee on Rules & Regulations continued.

Schools, it is important that the Committee should cover the whole city, and embrace persons from all parts of it, that they may have an opportunity of knowing something of the condition of the School, & of learning something, by previous acquaintance, of the character and qualifications of those upon whose claims as candidates for employment they may be called upon to decide.

The answer to this would seem to be, that, to increase the Committee to the number contemplated would not greatly enlarge the measure of previous and personal knowledge which the members of this Board would have, of the candidates offering themselves as teachers in our Grammar and Primary Schools, and hence, as now, the District Committees, in making their selections, would be guided by the results of the examination, and such knowledge as they acquire of the candidates by personal interviews just previous to an election; and, secondly, that it is now the privilege, the right, and the duty of every member of this Board to visit the Normal School, as well as any other School of this city, whenever he chooses, & has occasion or opportunity for so doing, and to learn all he wishes to know about the condition of that School, the condition of its Normal department, and the character and qualifications of the young ladies in that department; and, if this knowledge is essential, & would be of great use to him in the discharge of his duties on any District Committee, and he has not sought it, he would not be very likely to seek it or obtain it were he

placed on the new Committee of Twelve.

A second argument that the Committee have heard urged is, that the Normal department of this School has fallen into too great neglect; that its importance in relation to the Gramma and Primary Schools of the Districts has not been sufficiently felt by the present Committee, and that this could be remedied by enlarging the Committee, so that all the Wards, and two-thirds of the Districts could be represented upon it. The fact is undoubtedly as here stated. It was to be expected as the necessary result of connecting a Girls' High School with a Normal School; and your Committee are of opinion that a separation should be made, that application should be made, through the Board of Education, to the Legislature, for a larger share of the income of the School Fund, - a share more in accordance with the claims the City of Boston might rightfully urge; and that that increase be appropriated to the establishment and support of a Normal School distinct from the Girls' High, - a Normal School in which special, if not exclusive attention should be given to the training and the preparation of Primary School Teaches.

The end aimed at by the Ord would, in this way be better attained than by continuing the union of the Girls' High and Normal School, and enlarging its Committee, as proposed.

A third reason which the Committee have heard intimated is, that there has been no change on this

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Committee for several years; no new life infused into it; and that some of their management of the School has not been wise and judicious, particularly in the appointment of Assistant Teachers, several quite young and incompetent teachers having been appointed, who are but little older & have but little more character than their pupils, and that the School suffers, and is not in good condition on this account. Your Committee are unable to say how far this intimation is just, & well founded. Suppose it to be so, - it is an argument for appointing some new persons on the Committee, but not for enlarging it an unwieldly size. In view of the considerations offered, the Committee incline to regard the Order unfavorably, and do not recommend its adoption.

For the Committee, S. K. Lothrop, Chairman.

The recommendation of the Committee, that the first-named Order be not adopted, passed.

The Board rejected the recommendation, that the second Order be not adopted.

Motions were then made, by Mr. Riley, that the Committee on the Girls' High & Normal School shall consist of thirteen, and, by Dr. Lyman, to refer the whole subject to a Committee of twelve to investigate the condition of the School, and report to the next Board. It was finally moved, by Mr. Marvin to refer the subject to the next Board, which motion passed.

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Report, Comm'ee on Salaries. to pay certain Teachers.

Dr. Palmer, from the Committee on Salaries, reported, recommending the adoption of certain Orders, referred to the Committee at the last meeting; viz. to pay to Miss Josephine Courtney the sum of $6.00; to Miss Anna Hall the sum of $6.00; to Mary J. Hoffman the sum of $5.00; and to Miss Ruth E. Rowe the sum of $24.00; which Orders severally passed. Upon the Order to pay Miss Josephine Hamblin $2.00 the Committee reported the Order amended to read $1.50, instead of $2.00; and the amended Order passed.

Report: Comm'ee on Salaries. on Assistant Usher in the Eng. High School.

The following Order was referred, at the last meeting of the Board, to the Committee on Salaries:—

"Ordered, That the Committee on the English High School be authorized to employ, for a period not exceeding three months, an assistant Usher, at a salary corresponding proportionally to that of the Ushers of said School during the first year of their service."

The English High School was instituted for the purpose of furnishing to those male pupils who have enjoyed the usual advantages of the other public Schools, the means of completing a good English education. The requirements for admission are very moderate,—certainly are they no more than any boy who has attended a Grammar School for from five to seven years ought to possess. If he do not possess them there must be something wrong in the Boys' Grammar Schools. In Sec. 3, Chap.

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X. of our Rules and Regulations, we read that a boy offering himself for admission to the English High School shall pass a satisfactory examination in the following studies; viz. Spelling, Reading, Writing, English Grammar, Arithmetic, Geography, and the History of the United States." It appears by the Report of the Committee on the English High School, prefacing the Order referred to the Committee on Salaries, that there were admitted, at the usual examinations preceding the commencement of the present school year, in Sept. last, a number of pupils so deficient in the qualifications for admission, as to require "special attention and drilling"; in other words they were unfit to commence the regular course of study and instruction at this school. Is it not a matter of regret, that the master of this School, who has had so long an experience in the service of the city, should be so utterly regardless of a fundamental regulation?

A practical question here presents itself. Ought these unqualified pupils to have been retained as members of this school, or ought they not rather to have been remanded to the Grammar Schools from which they severally came? These unqualified pupils were retained members of the English High School, and, being unfit to take their place in line, the Committee on said School decided that it was best "to have some additional help," and they "therefore thought it best to have an additional teacher. One was consequently appointed. The number of pupils on the

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Register of this School is but 186. It is therefore not entitled to six teachers; for Sect. 2. Chap. X. of our Rules & Regulations is as follows: "The instructors of the English High School shall be one instructor to every thirty five pupils, but no additional instructor shall be allowed for a less number."

The Committee on Salaries do not see its way clear to recommend a salary for a teacher, illegally appointed, to give "special attention and drilling" to pupils illegally admitted to this School.

Your Committee report the facts in the case, and await instruction from the Board.

Respectfully submitted. For the Com. on Salaries.

Ezra Palmer, Chairman.

Read, and accepted.

Physical Training.

The Report of the Committee on the subject of the introduction of Physical Training into the Schools was, on motion of Mr. Turbuy, taken from the table, and on motion of Dr. Palmer, of Ward 4. referred to the next Board.

Salaries of Teachers of Sewing.

The Report in print, - being City Doc. No. 95, - on the Salaries of the Teachers of Sewing, was, on motion of Dr. Hall, taken from the table. The Report embraced the following Order; -

Ordered, That the salaries of the Sewing Teachers for the present school year be as follows, - and that the teachers severally devote to instructing their pupils, the time assigned in this Order.

The Sewing Teachers of the Adams, Lyman & Wells

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Schools shall teach Sewing ten hours each week, and shall severally receive $175.00 for the present school year.

2. The Sewing Teachers of the Franklin, Lawrence, Lincoln, Bigelow & Chapman Schools shall teach Sewing twelve hours each week, and shall severally receive two hundred dollars for the present school year.

3. The Sewing Teachers of the Hancock, Everett & Boylston Schools shall teach Sewing sixteen hours each week, and shall severally receive two hundred & twenty five dollars for the present school year.

4. The Sewing Teacher of the Winthrop School shall teach Sewing twenty hours each week, and shall receive three hundred dollars for the present school year.

Voted to divide the Order proposed by the Committee, and consider the portions relating to the various Schools separately. The first two recommendations of the Committee were adopted.

On motion of Mr. Parker the third & fourth recommendations were amended, by omitting from the third the Boylston School, and inserting the same in the fourth. Said recommendations, as amended, were then adopted.

Free Passage on the Ferries: Report considered.

Voted to take from the table the Report, in print, City Doc. No. 96 - being the Report of the Committee to whom was referred the following Order, viz. "Ordered, That the City Government be requested to provide for the free passage across the Ferries, of the children residing in East Boston, on their way to and from the public High Schools."

Agreeably to the recommendation of the Committee the Order passed. — Dec. 31. 1869.

On motion of Mr. Tuxbury, Voted to refer all unfinished business to the next Board. — Unfinished Business.

On motion of Dr. Lothrop. — Ordered, That there be paid to Mr. Oliver H. Spurr the sum of $300.00, the same as was paid to him last year, for his services as Messenger of this Board. — O. H. Spurr Messenger: Compensation to.

On motion of Mr. Sawyer, amended by Mr. Parker, — Voted, That the sessions of the Public Schools be suspended on Friday, the fourth day of January, the day of public Fast, recommended by the President of the United States; and, also on the forenoon of the Saturday following. — Sessions of Public Schools suspended.

On motion of Mr. Plummer, — Voted, unanimously, That the thanks of this Board be tendered to His Honor the Mayor, for the impartiality, kindness, and courtesy, with which he has discharged the duties of its presiding officer during the past year; and that the best wishes of its members accompany him in his retirement from the arduous labors connected with this Board and the City Government.

The President then read a suitable reply. — Thanks to the President of the Board.

On motion of Mr. Kimball, — Resolved, That the thanks of the School Com- — Thanks to the

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mittee are due, and are hereby tendered, to J. Putnam Bradlee Esq. our presiding officer in the absence of the Mayor, for his promptness and courtesy; and the Board gratefully recognize his interest in popular education, demonstrated by his judicious and constant labors in the Committee on Public Instruction, of the City Council, whose his efforts to meet the wants of the various school Districts have been eminently successful. Mr. Bradlee responded briefly; after which, on motion of Mr. Riley, the Board adjourned without day.

Attest:

Barnard Capen, Secretary.

Medals awarded to Boys.

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Franklin Medals.

(6) **Latin School.**

Charles W. Hagar
Charles P. Greenough
John T. Ward
John A. Blanchard Jr.
George G. Crocker
Frank W. Wildes.

(8) **English High**

Henry B. Rice
Thomas W. Hayden
Edward H. Clark
William A. Hovey
Walter G. Mac Rae
Charles J. Miller
Charles W. Shelton
Edward F. Wilder

(3) **Adams**

Michael Mc Donough
Charles N. Alexander
Wallace T. Fowler

(6) **Bigelow**

Walter F. Abbot
Henry Colford
George W. Hooper
Charles Lincoln Jr.
Ezra Perkins
Richard W. Smith

(9) **Boylston.**

Jeremiah P. Sullivan
Edward T. A. Mc Manus
Michael F. Hennessy
James D. Mc Auliffe
Eugene J. Courtney
Henry J. Colman
Thomas H. Fenelon
William Keefe
John J. Coleman

(13) **Brimmer.**

Charles H. Ditson
Henry S. Bean
Michael J. Byrne
Franklin H. Gore
James C. Haynes
Otis Kimball Jr.
Thomas Newell
Frank H. Pattee
Henry C. Pine
Walter E. Simmons
William H. Moriarty
Andrew O. Evans
Francis Seavens Jr.

(5) **Chapman**

Abbot S. Coffin
George W. Simpson
John O. Hall

Franklin Medals

John S. Woods
William M. Woodside

(11) Dwight

Hazen J. Burton Jr.
John Schouler
James E. Prince
Arthur J. Colburn
Charles A. Roberts
William S. Gill
Samuel B. Shapleigh
John K. Simpson Jr.
Thomas Flemming
William S. Myrick
James F. Ramsey

(10) Eliot

William E. Burrows
Rufus M. Sherwin
Michael J. Gleason
James H. Noble
Timothy J. McCarty
Joseph Babb
James C. Doherty
Archelaus F. Rich
Martin J. Coleman
James H. McFarland

(6) Lawrence

Charles R. Claflen
Patrick Egan
Francis Hanscom
William C. Miller
E. A. Montgomery
Charles P. Poole

Lincoln (2)

Frank M. Taylor
William R. Wiggin

Lyman (3)

Charles E. Galacar
George H. Gueby
Charles W. Goodwin

Mayhew (7)

Herbert E. Richardson
Edwin C. Mace
Peleg Aborn
Edward Copeland
A. Avery Brewster
Seth E. Chandler
Chester L. Eaton

Phillips (6)

Arthur G. Davis
William S. Green
D. F. Pollard
J. H. Welch Stevens
John E. Horgan
George Arbogast

Quincy (15)

Calvin S. Haynes
John Tyler Jr.
Samuel W. Ropes Jr.
Charles H. Taft
Edward G. Chamberlain

Charles F. Pidgin
Edwin E. Forest
Samuel A. Foster
Frank A. Preston
Joseph Goddard
George O. Brown
John A. Wilson
William H. H. Lawrence
George V. Ladd
George E. Sawyer.

Franklin Medals

Medals awarded to Girls.

City Medals

1860.

(128)

(61) Adams School.
Eliza M. Warren
Angeline M. Copeland
Annie L. Anderson
Clara W. Johnson
Helen S. Goggins
Harriette M. Partridge

(71) Bigelow
Caroline F. Clapp
Alice Danforth
Ellen M. Fegan
Abigail B. Kent
Martha A. Lecompte
Mary F. Mitchell
Sarah S. Sherman

(141) Bowdoin
Josephine B. Beverly
Lucy J. Calef
Amy S. Capen
Josephine G. Clapp
Lucy H. Eaton
Mary F. Grant.
Mary E. Herman
Mary E. D. Jones
Emily C. Litchfield
Mary L. Lockley
Ellen J. Loring
Sarah C. H. Rogers
Eusebia S. Williams
Isabella A. Woodbury

Boylston (5)
Julia M. Driscoll
Elizabeth A. C. Kennefsy
Catharine M. Sheehan
Mary E. Carland
Margaret E. Sheehan

Chapman (81)
Jennie F. Reed
Lucy B. Carver
Annie M. Rollins
Katie M. Bradford
Maria F. Peterson
Sophronia F. Greene
Georgie M. Thompson
Marcelia Wright.

City
Medals

(11) Dwight

Emma F. Nightingale
Mary A. Studley
Charlotte R. Kast
Catharine A. Magle
Sarah J. Pillsbury
Margaret F. Dinsmore
Sarah Garett
Jane M. Bullard
Susan G. Stone
Mary A. Garett
Josephine A. Smith

(12) Franklin

Maria L. Barney
Lucy M. Blaney
Hannah M. Brewer
Ella F. Fitzgerald
Annie E. Grant
Abby H. Griffith
Mary E. Lillegquist
Sarah F. Mason
Louisa F. Monroe
Sarah H. Quimby
Mary E. Weston
Augusta Wing

(16) Hancock

Mary A. Barry
Emma Clark
Sarah E. Main
Mary J. Betteley
Mary E. Skinner
M. Amanda Mahan
Harriet A. Casey
Emily F. Eaton
Elizabeth P. Boynton
Josephine B. Hutson
Caroline A. Perkins
Helen M. Nash
Ellen L. Ayer
Martha E. Hutson
Cate F. Doane
Josephine O. Paine

Lawrence (8)

Ellen A. Eaton
Harriet E. Johnston
Carrie F. Martin
Cassie M. C. Veil
Louisa A. Parker
Mary E. Paul
Martha F. Tucker
Julia A. Vincent

Lincoln (7)

Charlotte E. Bates
Adelaide A. Hastings
Mary E. Mann
Prudence F. Palmer
Margaret E. Sharp
Amelia A. Smith
Helen M. Southard

(4) Lyman

Annie A. Ford
Josephine S. Pickering
Elizabeth E. Colby
Sarah F. Elwell

(11) Wells

Caroline F. Adams
Anna Beal
Annis M. Chipman
Charlotte A. Davis
Augusta L. Hoit
Harriet S. Lothrop
Caroline A. Marshall
Statira P. Neal
Harriet E. Newman
Anna Spooner
Helen F. Watson

Winthrop.

(19)

Lavina A. Bunton
Laura P. Crane
Helen M. Creech
Clara A. E. Dolbeare
Laura A. Farnsworth
Anna M. Foster
Alice Gilbert
Abby K. Gould
Annie P. Holmes
Mary E. Holt
Ella V. Latham
Emily E. Maynard
Lucy F. Montagh
Annie L. Pierce
Emma Rolfe
Ella M. Stevens
Eunice A. Tirrell
Alice W. Trowbridge
Emma K. Valentine

Otis
Medals

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A Meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held at the City Hall, on Monday, the fourteenth day of January, 1861, at 5 o'clock P.M. by order of the Mayor, for the purpose of organizing the Board for the current Municipal year.

Meeting for Organization.

His Honor the Mayor, Joseph M. Wightman, President, in the Chair.

Members who held over.

The members of the former Board who retain their seats this year are as follows;

Ward 1. Atkins B. Hall
William A. Krueger
George F. Haskins
Charles C. Eaton

Ward 2. John Noble
Samuel F. Cobb
J. Wesley Hinckley
Seth C. Ames

Ward 3. Edward D. G. Palmer
Samuel H. Randall
John Newell
Aaron P. Richardson

Ward 4. George Bartlett
Loring Lothrop
Aurelius D. Parker
Robert S. Paine Jr.

Ward 5. Theophilus R. Marvin
Otis Norcross
John W. Dadmun

Ward 6. J. Baxter Upham
John C. Stockbridge
Samuel K. Lothrop
George W. Tuxbury

Ward 7. Charles D. Homans
Charles W. Sawyer
Patrick Riley
Thomas W. Parsons.

Ward 8. Thomas M. Brewer
Richard M. Hodges
Rufus Ellis
Elijah C. Drew

Ward 9. Elisha Bassett
Edwd. R. Ammidown.
William Read
Erastus B. Bigelow

Ward 10. Enoch C. Rolfe
Saml. J. M. Homer
Daniel C. Eddy
Samuel A. Green.

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Ward 11. Charles W. Slack
Frederic S. Thayer
Wm. H. Learnard Jr.
Matthias Rich Jr.

Ward 12. Thomas Dawes
Choate Burnham
Samuel W. Bates
Lewis C. Whiton.

All of the foregoing members were present, except Messrs. Ammidown, Bigelow, Dawes, Eddy, Kreuger, and Stockbridge. Members absent.

In addition to the above the following newly elected members appeared and took their seats: viz, Messrs. Alley, Burroughs, Capt. Coale, Dana, Dennie, Drew, of Ward 9, Duncan, Fifield, Gannett, Hooper, Kidder, Kimball, Lyman Murdock, Palmer, of Ward 4, Poor, Rupell, Shurtleff, Simmons, Spear, Sturgis, Townsend Woodbury, Hon. Joseph M. Wightman, Mayor, President of the Board, and Joseph H. Bradley, President of the Common Council. Newly elected Members.

The President, having taken the Chair, called upon the Rev. Dr. Duncan, who offered an Address to the Throne of Grace.

The Chair appointed Dr. Green, of Ward 10, and Dr. Read, to collect the Certificates of Election; who retired, and reported the names of twenty two newly elected members. The Report was accepted. Messrs. Murdock and Woodbury were allowed further time to present their Credentials. Certificates of Election.

Voted, on motion of Dr. Hall, to proceed to the

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Election of Secretary.

Salary of Secretary.

Resignations: F. E. Parker, E. B. Bigelow and E. H. Ammidown.

Convention proposed to fill Vacancies.

Rules & Regulations adopted.

choice of a Secretary. The Chair appointed Mr. Hall and Dr. Cook to collect the ballots therefor, who proceeded to that duty, and reported, that the whole No. of ballots was 63; all for Mr. Barnard Capen, who was declared elected.

On motion of Mr. Kimball the salary of the Secretary was fixed at $100.00, - the same as for the previous year.

The Chair read the resignations as members of Board, of Francis E. Parker, of Ward 3, and Erastus B. Bigelow, of Ward 9, and they were accepted

On motion of Mr. Drew, of Ward 9, amended by Dr. Lothrop, it was Voted that the resignation of E. H. Ammidown, of Ward 9, as a member of the School Committee, - presented, verbally, by Dr. Brewer, be accepted. Thereupon, Dr. Palmer, of Ward 4, offered the following: -

Whereas, Vacancies exist in this Board, caused by the resignations of Francis E. Parker, of Ward 3, and Erastus B. Bigelow, and Edward H. Ammidown, of Ward 9. -

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Board of Aldermen, proposing a Convention of both Boards on Monday, February 4th, 1861, at 4 o'clock P. M. for the purpose of filling said vacancies; and that public notice be given of the same, pursuant to law. Which Order passed.

On motion of Mr. Riley, it was

Voted to adopt the Rules and Regulations of the Board for the previous year.

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Standing Committees.

The President then appointed the Standing Committees of the Board for the ensuing year, and the same were afterwards approved, as follows:—

Committee on Elections, Messrs. Bates, Drew of Ward 9, Fesenden, Krueger and Parker.

Rules and Regulations, Messrs. Tuxbury, Lothrop of Ward 6, Read, Slack & Townsend.

Salaries, Messrs. Palmer of Ward 4, Mavrin, Hall, Thayer and Woodbury.

Accounts, Messrs. Alley, Rolfe, Drew of Ward 8, Norcop and Bartlett.

Text Books, Messrs. Lothrop of Ward 6, Russell, Lyman, Lothrop of Ward 4, & Burroughs.

School Houses, Messrs. Kimball, Shuttleff, Brewer, Bigelow and Stockbridge.

Music, Messrs. Upham, Read, Russell, Richardson and Horner.

Latin School, Messrs. Tuxbury, Shuttleff, Ellis, Read and Alley.

English High School, Messrs. Lothrop, Townsend, Ammidown, Gannett & Coale.

Girls' High & Normal School, Messrs. Russell, Palmer, Lyman, Brewer and Burroughs.

Adams School District, Messrs. Cobb, Hinckley, Noble, Woodbury, Ames and Kidder.

Bigelow School District, Messrs. Dawes, Burnham, Duncan, Bates, Whiton & Simonds.

Bowdoin School District, Messrs. Hooper, Shuttleff, Upham, Townsend, Lothrop,

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District Committees.

of Ward 4. Sturgis, Richardson, Paine, Parker, & Dana. Ward 3.

Boylston School District. Messrs. Parker, of Ward 4, Homans, Rufell, Riley, Sturgis, Sawyer, Parsons, Hodges, Simonds & Dana.

Brimmer School District, Messrs. Alley, Lyman, Read, Kimball, Ammidown, Bigelow, Babcock, Green and Gannett.

Chapman School District, Messrs. Woodbury, Hinckley, Cobb, Noble, Ames & Kidder.

Dwight School District, Messrs. Thayer, Rolfe, Burroughs, Rich, Drew, of Ward 9, Leamard, Slack, Eddy, Dennie and Speare.

Eliot School District, Messrs. Palmer, of Ward 3, Hall, Krueger, Haskins, Eaton, Randall, Dadman, Fessenden, Cass and Parker.

Franklin School District, Messrs. Drew, of Ward 9, Slack, Thayer, Leamard, Burroughs, Eddy, Rich, Rolfe, Dennie and Speare.

Everett School District. Messrs. Speare, Burroughs, Rolfe, Dennie, Drew, of Ward 9, Slack, Rich, Eddy, Leamard and Thayer.

Hancock School District. Messrs. Hall, Palmer, of Ward 3, Krueger, Bartlett, Eaton, Paine, Newell, Haskins, Richardson, Cass, & Murdock.

Lawrence School District. Messrs. Burnham, Dawes, Drew, of Ward 9, Duncan, Whiton, Bates, and Simonds.

Lincoln School District, Messrs. Duncan, Dawes, Burnham, Whiton, Bates, Eddy, and Simonds.

Lyman School District, Messrs. Hinckley, Woodbury, Noble, Cobb, Ames, Tefft, Fenden & Kidder,
Mayhew School District, Messrs. Townsend, Homans, Marvin, Parker, of Ward 4, Bartlett, Dadmun & Murdock.
Phillips School District, Messrs. Upham, Stockbridge, Norcross, Lothrop, of Ward 6, Lothrop, of Ward 4, Sturgis, Tuxbury & Veale.
Quincy School District, Messrs. Riley, Ellis, Brewer, Kimball, Drew, of Ward 8, Homer, Hodges, Parsons, and Dennie.
Wells School District, Messrs. Marvin, Norcross, Stockbridge, Dadmun, Randall, Veale, Poor, Murdock, and Parker, of Ward 3.
Winthrop School District, Messrs. Brewer, Alley, Drew, of Ward 8, Rolfe, Homer, Gannett, Hodges, Bigelow, Bassett, & Green.

Ordered, - on motion of Mr. Ellis, - That the Committee on Rules and Regulations consider the expediency of increasing the Committees on the Latin and English High Schools to a number not less than ten to each School. — Committee on Latin & Eng. High Schools: Number of Members.

The Chair appointed, agreeably to the Rules, the Committees on the existing vacancies in the Board, viz, on the vacancy in Ward 3, Messrs. Richardson and Newell, from the Ward, and Messrs. Drew of Ward 9, Slack and Shurtleff, at large; on the vacancy in Ward 9, Messrs. Read and Drew, from the Ward, and — Committees on the Vacancies.

Jan. 14. 1861 Messrs. Slack, Rolfe, and Shurtleff, at large.

Oath to be taken by School Committee: City Solicitors Opinion requested.

Ordered. on motion of Mr. Riley, - That the City Solicitor be requested to furnish his opinion on the following Question: Does the Constitution of the United States, or the laws passed by Congress, in pursuance thereof, and the Constitution of Massachusetts, require the members of this Board, before entering on their duties, to take the oaths, or either, prescribed in Chap. 1, Sect. 1, of the Laws of the U.S, and the Sixth Article of the Amendments of the Constitution of Massachusetts; and, if so, by whom shall said oath or oaths be administered?

New Grammar School: Committee on.

Voted, on motion of Dr. Brewer, - That the Committee appointed last year, in reference to the proposed new Grammar School in the Easterly part of the city, be renewed.

The Chair then appointed the Committee on that School; viz. Messrs. Parker, of Ward 4, Green, Riley, Hodges, Brewer, Alley, Bigelow, Parsons and Homer.

Annual Exhibitions: days of.

Ordered, - on motion of Mr. Thayer, - That the Committee on Rules and Regulations consider the expediency of allowing the Exhibitions of the Grammar Schools to take place on either the Monday or the Tuesday following the third Wednesday of July, at the discretion of the District Committees.

Certificates of Election.

On motion of Dr. Shurtleff, the Certificates of Election

of the newly elected members were referred to the Committee on Elections. Jan. 14, 1861.

The Chair read a communication, embracing a Report made to the City Council, in reference to the expediency of establishing Evening Schools for such persons as cannot attend the day Schools. Voted to refer the same to the Committee on Rules and Regulations. Evening Schools.

Voted, - on motion of Mr. Slack, - to take from the files, and consider at this time, the papers of last year concerning the Girls' High & Normal Schools, and they were finally referred to Com. on Rules & Regulations. Girls' High & Normal School. - Papers concerning, &

Dr. Russell asked leave to present, and, - the same, on motion of Dr. Lothrop, being granted, - he read, a statement in regard to the Girls' High and Normal School, in reply to the Report of the Committee on Rules and Regulations, made Dec. 31, 1869. Dr. Russell's "Reply."

Ordered, - on motion of Dr. Brewer, - That the Committee on School Houses consider the expediency of requesting the City Council to purchase the vacant lot in the rear of the Winthrop School House, for the protection of the Eastern light of the same. Winthrop Sch'l. additional land, &c.

On motion of Mr. Slack the papers relative to the Girls' High & Normal School were referred to the Com. on Rules and Regulations. Thereupon the Board adjourned. Attest. (Miscellaneous)

Barnard Capen, Secretary.

Feb. 4. 1861.

A Meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held at the City Hall, on Monday, the fourth day of February, 1861, at 4 o'clock P.M. to unite with the Mayor and Aldermen, in Convention, to fill the vacancies in the School Committee caused by the resignations of Francis E. Parker, of Ward 3, and Erastus B. Bigelow and Edward H. Ammidown, of Ward 9; and, also, by order of the President, for the transaction of any other business that might come before the Board.

In the absence of His Honor, the Mayor, President of the Board, the President of the Common Council occupied the Chair.

Present. —

Members present

The whole Board, except Messrs. Drew, of Ward 8, Homans, Homer, Hooper, Lothrop, of Ward 4, Murdock, Riley, Speare, Sturgis, Whiton, & Woodbury.

Convention. Vacancies filled. M. C. Greene elected.

Agreeably to assignment the Convention was held. The President of the Board in the Chair.

The Committee to nominate a candidate to fill the vacancy in Ward 3, reported the name of Ebenezer Nelson. The Chair appointed Alderman Spinney and Messrs. Dennie and Read, to collect the ballots; who reported the whole No. of votes to be 67; necessary for a choice 34. Ebenezer Nelson had 8. M. C. Greene had 41, Daniel P. Simpson had 18. Mr. Greene was declared elected.

Dr. Read, from the Com-

mittee to nominate candidates to fill the vacancies in Ward 9, reported the names of M. Denman Ros. & William E. Underwood. The Chair appointed the former Committee to collect the ballots for filling the vacancy caused by the resignation of Erastus B. Bigelow. The whole No. of votes was 68; necessary for a choice 35: M. Denman Ros had 39, William W. Morland 11, W. E. Underwood 13, A. H. Twombly 5. Mr. Ros. having the requisite No. of votes, was declared chosen. Feb. 4. 1861. M. D. Ros chosen.

The same Committee were appointed to collect the ballots for filling the vacancy caused by the resignation of E. H. Ammidown. The whole No. of votes was 69; necessary for a choice 35. A. H. Twombly had 7; W. E. Underwood 20; William W. Morland 42. Mr. Morland was declared elected. W. W. Morland elected.

The business of the Convention having been accomplished the two Boards separated.

The following teachers were confirmed. viz. — Confirmations
Emma F. Whiton, Primary, in the Brimmer District. Brimmer Dist.
Martha F. Winning, Assistant, and Jennie B. Buck Sewing Teacher, in the Hancock School. Hancock School.
Fannie E. Harrod, Primary, in the Hancock District. Hanc. Dist.
Eliza L. Darling and Juliette Smith, Assistants in the Lawrence School. Lawrence School.
Mary E. Fox, Primary, in the Lawrence District. Lawrence Dist.
Abbie A. Cutler, Assistant, in the Winthrop School Winthrop Sch.
Susan Frizzell, Primary, in the Winthrop District. " Dist.

The following teachers were nominated as being

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Bigelow School

on probation; viz. Sophia B. Whiton, Assistant in the Bigelow School, commencing Dec. 21st. 1860.

Boylston Sch. H.

Frances H. Nichols, Head Assistant, and Minnie A. Farwell, Assistant, in the Boylston School, both commencing Jan. 1. 1861.

Chapman School

Sarah E. Batchelder, Assistant in the Chapman School, commencing Dec. 24th 1860.

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Mary E. Close, Sewing Teacher in the Lane School, commencing with the School year 1860-61.

Dwight School

Eva M. Keller, commencing ~~Dec. 3d~~ Nov. 2nd, 1860. and Emma A. Holmes, commencing Nov. 12, 1860, Assistants in the Dwight School.

Franklin District

Maria Jenkins and Louisa M. Alline, Primary, in the Franklin District, - the former from Nov. 14th, the latter from Dec. 13. 1860.

Bigelow School

Sophia B. Whiton, Assistant in the Bigelow School, in place of Lucy C. Bartlett transfered to a Primary School in the same District.

Bigelow District. Lawrence District.

Mr. Dawes gave notice of the transfer of Miss M. A. Spear and Miss F. W. Stetson, each to the position held by the other, in the Bigelow & Lawrence Districts.

New Grammar School

Dr. Brewer nominated Eliza J. Reed & Susan H. Thaxter, of the Winthrop School, as Head Assistants in the New School, to be built in South Street; services commencing March 1st. 1861.

Report of Committee on Elections

The Committee on Elections, to whom were referred certain Certificates of Election, having examined the same, Report: That your Committee find

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Elections.

the several Certificates appear to be in due form, and are presumptive evidence of the title of the persons named, to the office of School Committee, from the second Monday of January, 1861; and therefore report that the following persons are elected; for the term of three years, —

Ward 1. Thomas Cass
Benjamin Tefft Jenden
Ward 2. J. Harvey Woodbury
Frederick Kidder
Ward 3. John N. Murdock
Ward 4. Nath'l B. Shurtleff
Ezra Palmer
Ward 5. William E. Townsend
William E. Coale
Ward 6. Robert W. Cooper
Rufus Sturgis Jr.
Ward 7. Le Baron Russell
Charles F. Dana
Ward 8. George H. Lyman
John B. Alley
Ward 9. Joseph L. Drew
Ezra S. Gannett
Ward 10. Otis Kimball
James Dennie
Ward 11. Henry Burroughs Jr.
Alden Speare
Ward 12. John Duncan
Alvan Simonds.

For the term of two years, Edward E. Poor, of Ward 5.

In the Committee, Jam's W. Bates, Chairman.

Read and accepted.

Report,
Com. on Rules
& Regulations;
"Committees
on the
High Schools."

The Committee on Rules and Regulations, to whom were referred the several Orders relating to the number of the Committees on the several High Schools, respectfully submit the following Report: —

The Committee fully appreciate the suggestions which have already been made upon this subject; that the increase in the number of a Committee does not necessarily increase its efficiency, while

on the other hand, they are inclined to believe, that the deliberate judgment and decision of a large Committee, on any important policy of the Schools, or measure to be adopted, are calculated to carry with them more weight, and lend more unerringly, to a final and satisfactory settlement, than the action of a smaller Committee.

The Committee, furthermore, have abundant reason to express their confidence in the interest manifested, and the fidelity and discretion bestowed, by the several Committees under whose care the Schools are now placed. But there are other elements which enter into the calculation. The chief of these which have had weight with the Committee, is representation, and a desire that all parts of the city should, through their Committees, become more acquainted with these Schools, and more fully appreciate their unsurpassed advantages.

All other Schools are attended by pupils only from their immediate districts, or neighborhood; these are composed of pupils from all parts of the city; and it seems but just and wise that every ward should have its direct communication and representation.

The principal objection to this is, the difficulty of, at all times, procuring the attendance of a quorum of so large a Committee. This difficulty your Committee would anticipate, and provide for, by authorizing that a less number than a majority should constitute a quorum. Thus, while all would be requested to

attend, and probably would, on all important occasions, the Committee would not fail to accomplish its objects for want of numbers. The Committee, therefore, recommend the adoption of the following Order:- Feb. 4, 1861. Report of Com. on Rules & Regulations, continued.

Ordered. That the Standing Committees on the Latin School, the English High School, and the Girls' High and Normal School shall consist of twelve members, one from each Ward, and that five members of said Committees shall constitute a quorum for doing business. Order.

Respectfully submitted. For the Committee.
G. W. Tuxbury, Chairman.

Read and accepted. The Order was amended to read thirteen, instead of twelve. On motion of Mr. Kimball, Voted, that the President of the Common Council be the member of said Committees, other than those appointed from the several Wards. The Order as amended passed. Order amended & passed.

The Committee on Rules and Regulations, to whom was referred the Order relating to the Annual Exhibitions of the Grammar Schools, respectfully Report: That, by the 34th Sect. of Chap. VIII. of the present Rules, the annual Exhibitions of the Grammar Schools are required to be held on Tuesday following the third Wednesday in July. The object contemplated by the Order appears to be to afford greater facilities to those interested, to attend at more than one exhibition, especially in the case of parents and other relatives, where the male and Report; Committee on Rules and Regulations: "Annual Exhibition"

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female children attend at different Schools.

For instance, when the exhibition of the boys' and girls' Schools are held on the same day, a parent of both boys and girls could not attend at the exhibition of his own children.

The difficulty to be remedied would only occur in such cases as are named above; and your Committee recommend that said 34th Sect. Chap. VIII. be amended, by inserting, after the word Schools, in the Seventh line, the following:- "provided, however, that the District Committees of the several Grammar Schools for Girls may, if they deem it advisable, direct that such exhibitions shall be held on the Monday, instead of on the Tuesday, following said Wednesday. For the Committee.

Geo. W. Pusbury, Chairman.

Read, and accepted, and the amendment was adopted.

Resignation of Edward E. Poor.

The Chair read the resignation of Edward E. Poor, of Ward 5, as a member of this Board: whereupon Mr. Mavin offered the following:-

Convention proposed.

Whereas, a vacancy exists in this Board, caused by the resignation of Edward E. Poor, of Ward 5,-

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Board of Aldermen, proposing a Convention of both Boards on Monday, Feb. 18th at 4 o'clock P.M. for the purpose of filling said vacancy; and that public notice be given of the same, pursuant to law.

The Order passed.

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Dr. Lothrop offered the following;

Whereas, by a statute of this Commonwealth, the 22nd. of February, the birth-day of the immortal Washington, is now a legal holiday, on which, by the Rules of this Board, daily sessions of the Public Schools of this city are suspended, therefore,

Reading of Washington's Farewell Address in the Schools.

Ordered, That, on the 21st. of February, inst. and annually thereafter, the Masters of the High and Grammar Schools shall assemble their pupils, each in the Hall of his School House, and read to them, or cause to be read to them by a member of their own number, Washington's Farewell Address to the People of the United States; and that the regular exercises of the session be suspended, so far as is necessary to give opportunity for this reading.

The Order passed.

School Session suspended.

On motion of Mr. Bates,

Voted: That the sessions of the Public Schools be suspended on the Saturday following the 22nd of February, instant.

"Physical Training."

On motion of Mr. Kimball,

Voted to take up and consider the Report of the Committee on the subject of Physical Training, being City Doc. No. 94. (see page 203)

Report of Committee considered.

After some discussion of the propositions of the Report, on motion of Dr. Gannett, it was —

Recommitted.

Voted, That the Report be recommitted, with instructions to the Committee to consider the practicability and propriety of making a temporary arrangement in so many of the public schools of the

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city as shall enable the suggestions of the Report to be put to a practical test.

Brimmer School House: purchase of estate adjoining.

Mr. Kimball offered the following:-

Ordered, That a communication be made to the City Council, requesting that the estate adjoining the Brimmer School House, belonging to Joseph Smith Esq. be purchased, to obtain better ventilation and light, both of which are now obstructed. Read, and referred to the Committee on School Houses.

Elliot District. Miss Robertson's services.

Dr. Putnam, Ward 3, offered the following:-

Ordered, That thirty eight dollars be paid to Miss Josephine A. Robertson, for thirty eight days' service as temporary teacher, from Dec. 3d, 1860 to Jan. 19th, 1861, in Brimmer School House Dwelling Place, Elliot District. Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Fixed day for award of the Medals & Diplomas.

Ordered,- on motion of Dr. Alley,- That Sect. 16. Chap. IV. be referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations to report a fixed day for the award of the number of Medals and Diplomas which the Schools shall be entitled to at the Annual Exhibitions.

Physical training: Committee increased.

Voted, on motion of Dr. Putnam, of Ward 4,- to increase the number of the Committee on the subject of Physical Training; that it consist of nine, instead of five members. Thereupon the Chair appointed the following additional members to that Committee; viz. Messrs. Putnam, of Ward 4, Hodges, Read and Emmott.

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Committees on Latin, Eng. High, Girls' High & Normal Schools.

The Chair then appointed the following to constitute, with the President, of the Common Council, in such case, the Committees on the three High Schools, agreeably to the rule adopted at this meeting; viz.-

Committee on the Latin School.

Ward 1.	George F. Haskins	Ward 7.	Patrick Riley
2.	Samuel T. Eddy	8.	Rufus Ellis
3.	John L. Kendrick	9.	William Read
4.	Nath[l] B. Shurtleff	10.	Daniel C. Eddy
5.	William C. Coale	11.	Frederick T. Thayer
6.	George W. Tuxbury	12.	Jim[s] W. Bates

Committee on the Eng. High School.

Ward 1.	Charles C. Eaton	Ward 7.	Charles F. Dana
2.	John Noble	8.	John B. Alley
3.	Samuel H. Randall	9.	Wm H. Kirkland
4.	Loring Lothrop	10.	Sam[l] A. Green
5.	Wm C. Townsend	11.	Matthias Rich Jr.
6.	S. K. Lothrop	12.	Alvan Simonds.

Committee on the Girls' High & Normal School.

Ward 1.	Addino B. Hall	Ward 7.	Le Baron Russell
2.	J. Harvey Weeding	8.	Thomas C. Brewer
3.	M. C. Greene	9.	Ezra S. Gannett
4.	Ezra Palmer	10.	Enoch C. Rolfe.
5.	Otis Norcross	11.	Henry Burroughs Jr.
6.	Robert W. Hooper	12.	Thomas Dawes.

The Chair also made the following nominations: Vacancies
viz. Mr. Fenton on the Hancock Dist. Committee, in Committee filled.

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Vacancies in Committees filled, &c.

in place of Mr. Endicott appointed to the Dalton School Committee. Mr. Garland on the Lawrence, in place of Mr. Drew, of Ward 4, excused therefrom. Mr. Greene, of Ward 3, on the Bowdoin, Eliot and Hollis School District Committee, in place of Mr. Parker, of Ward 3, resigned. Mr. Robson the Brimmer School District Committee. Mr. Morland on the same Committee, - both to fill vacancies caused by the resignations of Mr. Bigelow and Mr. Winnidow. Mr. Kimball on the Winthrop District Committee, and Mr. Morland on the Committee on School Houses, both in place of Mr. Bigelow resigned.

Mr. Kimball resigned on the Quincy District Committee, and Mr. Robson was appointed thereon.

All of the above were confirmed by the Board.

Committee on Nominations for Ward 5.

The Chair appointed the following Committee to nominate a candidate for the vacancy in Ward 5, caused by the resignation of Edward E. Pratt, viz. Messrs. Mannin and Townsend, from the Ward, and Messrs. Norcross, Hall, and Palmer, of Ward 4, at large.

The Board then adjourned.

Attest:

Barnard Capen, Secretary.

A Meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held, agreeably to adjournment, at the City Hall on Monday, the Eighteenth day of February, 1861, at twelve o'clock P.M. to unite with the Board of Aldermen, in Convention, for the purpose of filling the vacancy caused by the resignation of Edward C. Pew, of Ward 5. — Feb. 18. 1861.

Present.

The whole Board, except Messrs. Ames, Bartlett, Bibb, Dow, of Ward 8, Duncan, Hinckley, Hodges, Homans, Homer, Kidder, Kimball, Leamard, Lyman, Powell, Raymond, Parsons, Riley, Rolfe, Ross, Simonds, Spear, Stuyvesant, Upham, Whiton, and the President of the Common Council. — Members absent.

Mr. Mann, from the Committee appointed to nominate a candidate to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. Pew, of Ward 5, reported the name of John F. Jarvis. — Report of Com^ee on Vacancy in Ward 5.

Agreeably to assignment the Convention was held. The Chair appointed Aldermen Hanson, and Messrs Eaton and Mack, to collect the ballots; who reported the whole No. to be 55, and all for John F. Jarvis, who was declared elected. — Convention held. J. F. Jarvis elected.

Thereupon the business of the Convention having been accomplished the two Boards separated.

The Chair read the opinion of the City Solicitor upon the question submitted to him, Jan. 14th as to whether the School Committee are required to take — City Solicitor's Opinion, as to

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either of certain prescribed oaths, before entering upon their duties. Accepted, and placed on file.

Eliot School, Teacher confirmed.

Victoria G. Wheat was confirmed as an Assistant in the Eliot School.

Vacancies in Committees filled.

The Chair appointed Dr. Jarvis on the Wells School District Committee, in place of Mr. Poor, resigned; also, on the Eliot District Committee, in place of Dr. Greene, resigned thereon; and on Girls High and Normal School Committee, in place of Mr. Norcross, who resigned thereon.

The Chair also appointed Mr. Dana upon the Committee on the new School, to be located in South Street; and Mr. Sawyer upon the Lawrence Dist. Committee, in place of Mr. Morland, who was excused from serving on the same.

President of Com. Council. Duties on Committees on the High School.

Mr. Tuttle submitted the declination of the President of the Common Council to serve upon the Committees of the High Schools - as provided by by the rule adopted at the last meeting; and the declination was accepted. The Chair then appointed, to fill the vacancies caused thereby, upon the Committee of the Latin School, Dr. Alley; of the English High School, Mr. Dennie; and upon the Committee on the Girls High & Normal School, Dr. Lyman.

Dr. Alley asked to be excused from the Committee on the English High School, and he was excused.

Dr. Hodges was appointed on the English High School Committee, in place of Dr. Alley, resigned thereon.

The foregoing appointments were confirmed by the Board. — Feb. 18. 1861.

Dr. Russell offered the following; — Girls' High & Normal School: Salary of Teacher of German.

Ordered, That the salary of the teacher of German in the Girls' High and Normal School be at the rate of that of the teacher of French in that School, according to the number of hours of service required by this Order to take effect from Dec. 1. 1860. Refered to the Committee on Salaries.

Dr. Hall offered the following; — Hancock District: Primary School Accommodations.

Ordered, That the Committee on School Houses consider the expediency of furnishing additional rooms in the School Building in Cooper Street, and the removal thereto of the two schools in North Margin Street; & report thereon. Read and passed.

Dr. Palmer, from the Committee on Salaries, reported the following Order, and the same passed. — Eliot District: Miss Robertsons Services. Report, Com. on Salaries.

Ordered, That thirty eight Dollars be paid to Miss Josephine M. Robertson, for thirty eight days' service as temporary teacher, from Dec. 3. 1860, to Jan. 19. 1861, in a Primary School in the Eliot District.

Ordered, — on motion of Dr. Hall, That a Committee of five be appointed to make the necessary arrangements for the annual School Festival, in connection with the Committee on Music. — Annual School Festival.

Thereupon the Board adjourned. Attest.

Barnard Capen, Secretary.

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A Quarterly Meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held at the City Hall, on Tuesday, the twelfth day of March, A.D. 1861, at Four o'clock P.M. The President in the Chair.

Members Absent.

Present; The whole Board, except Messrs. Capen, Dana, Green, of Ward 10. Haskins, Lothrop, of Ward 4. Lothrop, of Ward 6. Marvin, Newell, Paine, Riley, Rolfe, Roys, Sturgis, Whiton, Woodbury, and the President of the Common Council.

Nominations: Boudoin School

The following Teachers were nominated as being on probation: viz Lucie C. Gould, Assistant in the Boudoin School.

Boyleston " Sarah E. Emmons, Head Assistant, commencing March 5th, and Mary A. Davis, Assistant, commencing March 7th, both in the Boyleston School.

Boyleston Dist. Ellen M. Perkins, Primary in the Boyleston District, commencing March 4th.

Dwight School. Mary J. Chandler, temporary, in the Dwight School.

Everett " Frances R. Joselyn, Assistant in the Everett School, from March 4th; and Louisa M. Alline, Assistant in the same School, transfered from the Franklin District.

Franklin " Allie F. Davis, Assistant in the Franklin School, transfered from the Winthrop.

Franklin Dist. Frances M. Sylvester, in a Primary School in the Franklin District, commencing March 4. 1861.

Lincoln Dist. Mary E. Easton, Primary, in the Lincoln District, commencing March 4th, 1861.

New South Street School. Annie B. Thompson, Assistant in the "South Street" (new) School.

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The following Teachers were confirmed, viz. - - - Continuations.

Mary A. Crocker, Primary, in the Everett District. Everett Dist.

Maria Jenkins, Primary, in the Franklin District. Franklin "

Frances H. Nichols, and Clarinda R. T. Treadwell, as Head Assistants in the "South Street" School. "South Street" School.

Rosetta M. Hodges, Ellen M. T. Treadwell, Ellen McKendry, Caroline W. Marshall, Mary E. Nichols, Annie L. Maynard and Frances R. Honey, Assistants in the "South Street" School, transfered from the Boylston and Winthrop Schools. Eliza J. Baxter, teacher of Sewing and Charles Butler teacher of Music in the same School.

The Quarterly Reports of the several Committees were then read, and afterwards accepted. Quarterly Reports.

Dr. Townsend offered the following: Mayhew District: New Primary Building asked for.

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to provide a Primary School House, suitable for six or eight Schools, in the neighborhood of Haymarket Square (Mayhew District.) Referred to the Committee on School Houses.

Ordered, That the Committee on School Houses be authorized to request the City Council to take the necessary measures for the immediate erection of a Primary School House in the Brimmer District, of sufficient size for the accommodation of eight Primary Schools, if, in their judgment, it is deemed advisable. Referred to the Committee on School Houses. Brimmer District: New Primary Building.

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Report, Com. on Salaries: Miss Perkins's Services. Ward Districts.

The Committee on Salaries reported, for adoption, the following Order, which had been refered to them: Ordered, That $28.00 be paid to Miss Ellen M. Perkins, for twenty eight days' service as temporary teacher in Primary School No. 4. Snelling Place-Elliot School District - from Jan. 21 to Feb. 21, 1861. The Order passed.

Lectures in Girls' High & Normal Schools.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Girls' High and Normal School be authorized to expend a sum not exceeding One hundred Dollars annually, for Lectures in that School. Refered to the Committee on Salaries, with full powers.

Boylston District: New Primary Building.

Mr. Parker offered the following:

Ordered, That the Committee on School Houses be directed to consider the expediency of erecting a new building for the use of the Primary Schools in the Boylston District, on the site lately occupied by the Primary Schools in Williams Street: and to make application, for that purpose, to the City Government, if, in their judgment, it shall be expedient.

Refered to the Committee on School Houses.

Chapman School: Miss Goodwin's Services.

Ordered, That Eighty five Dollars be paid to Miss Anna E. Goodwin, for services a Teacher in the Chapman School, from Sept. 5 to Dec. 22nd. Refered to the Committee on Salaries.

The following Order was refered to the Committee on School Houses: viz,

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to provide improved and additional accommodations for the Primary Schools located in the Easterly part of the Chapman District, by constructing a new primary school house in the District. — March 12, 1861. Chapman District. New Primary Building.

The Committee on School Houses have considered the subject of the accompanying Order, and respectfully recommend its passage. For the Committee. Otis Kimball, Chairman. — Report of Committee on School Houses: Purchase of estate adjoining the Brimmer School House.

Ordered, That a communication be made to the City Council, requesting that the estate adjoining the Brimmer School House, belonging to Joseph Smith Esq. be purchased, to obtain more ventilation and light, both of which are now obstructed. Laid upon the table, on motion of Mr. Drew of Ward 9.

The Committee on School Houses respectfully Report; That it is expedient, for the purpose named in the annexed Order, that the land referred to be purchased, and that a communication to this effect be sent to the City Council. For the Committee, Otis Kimball, Chairman. — Report of Committee on School Houses: "Purchase of land in rear of Winthrop School House."

Read, and accepted, and the Order passed; viz. Ordered, That it is expedient to purchase the vacant lot in the rear of the Winthrop Grammar School, and that a communication be sent to the City Council to that effect.

March 12, 1861. Report of Committee on Schod. Houses: Primy Schod Accommodations in the Hancock Distrist.

The Committee on Schod Houses, to which was referred the accompanying Order has thoroughly investigated the subject, and Report; The Primary Schod Houses in the Hancock District were visited by the Committee, in company with the District Committee, and it was the unanimous opinion that more and better accommodations were needed. Two of the Schod Houses are located in filthy, dreary places, and are a positive disgrace to the city. The building in Cooper Street is occupied, mainly, by a Military Company. There are two Primary Schools in the house, and accommodations could easily be furnished to rescue the children in the District from the pestilential atmosphere to which they are now condemned, and for the establishing of such new Schools as are necessary, if the building could be wholly devoted to Schod purposes.

The Committee therefore recommend the passage of the following Order. For the Committee

Otis Kimball, Chairman.

Order passed. Ordered, That a communication be sent to City Council requesting that the building in Cooper Street, known as the "Gun House", be wholly used for Primary Schools, and be arranged for the purpose. Read, and accepted, and the Order passed.

Supt. of Schools, Semi-annual Report. The Superintendent of Schools submitted in print, agreeably to the Rules of the Board, his Second Semi annual Report, which was accepted.

Dr. Hodges asked to be, and was, excused from serving on the Committee on the English High Sch. Mr. Drew of Ward 8, was appointed to fill the vacancy.

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Eng. High School Committee.

E. E. Simonds, at his request, was excused from serving on the above named Committee. Mr. Duncan was appointed thereto to fill the vacancy.

Ditto.

A. Brown laid before the Board a communication from Mr. E. E. Simmons, accompanied by the resignation of his self as a member of the School Committee, and asked that the same be placed on file, and it was so voted.

Resignation of E. E. Simmons.

Dr. Russell submitted the following proposition for amending the Rules and Regulations, to wit, in Chap. XVIII, Sect. 34 omit "Tuesday preceding" and insert "Saturday following"; in Chap. XVIII, Sect. 35, after "respective exhibitions", insert "and to the Girls' High and Normal School, one week in addition" and in Chap. XIII, Sect. 8, to amend said Section so as to constitute from 9 A.M. to 2 P.M. the School hours for said Schools throughout the year.
The above propositions were referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Rules & Regulations; Amendments proposed.

Girls' High & Normal School; School Hours, &c.

Dr. Tilley offered the following;
Ordered, That the Brimmer District Committee be authorized to establish a new Primary School in that District. Referred to the Committee on School Houses.

Brimmer District; New Primary School.

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Rules & Regulations: Amendments proposed: Compensating Temporary teachers

Dr. Hall submitted the following proposition for amending Chap. XIII Sect. 17 of the Rules & Regulations, viz. to add to said Section the following: "The compensation for temporary teachers shall be the same as for Substitutes" Refd. to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Petition. - Wheelock & others: Salaries of Ushers in Grammar Schools

A petition signed by Lucius A Wheelock and others, Ushers in the Grammar Schools, asking that the Board would equalize the salaries of the male teachers in those Schools that the salary of the Usher shall advance to the minimum of that of the Sub Master, & the salary of the Assistants advances to the minimum of that of the Master, was referred to the Committee on Salaries.

"Physical Training": Report of Committee.

The Committee on Physical Training, to whom was recommitted their report, contained in City Doc. No 94, "with instructions to consider the practicability and propriety of making a temporary arrangement in so many of the Public Schools of the city as shall enable the suggestions of the Report to be put to a practical test," submit the following Report:

The Committee have had several meetings upon the subject, and have endeavored to look at the matter in all its bearings. Many of the Public Schools have been visited, and considerable effort has been made to ascertain the facts in relation to the subject under consideration, as

they now exist. In many of the schools already
greatly increased attention to exercise is observable,
and teachers seem ready to lend their hearty
cooperation. In others, and in far a large majority
of the schools, especially the Primary Schools,
comparatively but little attention is given to the
subject. Upon the general subject, as to the
want which exists, and the beneficial tendency
of gymnastic exercises to remedy such de-
ficiencies, your Committee have no doubt, and
in these respects they can only adopt and reiterate
the statements and arguments contained in
the Report already presented.

Your Committee furthermore believe that,
in many if not in all the schools, a system
of physical exercises or Calisthenics, such as is
recommended in the Report, can, with much
benefit, be introduced, and they believe that
the step proposed to be taken is in the right
direction.

But, while they are anxious not to neglect or
omit any reasonable opportunity to adopt or
introduce improvements, they desire to be still
more anxious that such steps forward should
be made with great caution, and only as the
true path shall be open before them.

In deference to the suggestions which have been
made upon this subject, and in accordance
with the spirit of the order by which this report
was recommitted, your Committee are desirous

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Report continued.

that the suggestions contained in their former Report shall, before being incorporated into the permanent Rules, be put to a thorough, practical test. They therefore recommend that a temporary arrangement should first be made, and that the Orders accompanying the former Report be modified, so as to read as follows.

Respectfully submitted. (Signed) Geo. W. Stutson, J. F. Thayer, Samuel Cobb, Ezra S. Gannett, Samuel W. Bates.

Orders offered.

Ordered, That a Standing Committee on Physical Training be appointed, consisting of five members, whose duty it shall be to superintend the introduction of a more perfect system of physical exercise and training into such of the Public Schools as the several District Committees may approve, not exceeding six districts in all, with a view to testing the practicability and usefulness of the plan suggested in the report of the Special Committee on that subject.

Ordered, That said Committee on Physical Training be authorized to employ, temporarily, a suitably qualified teacher of free gymnastics and calisthenics, whose duty it shall be to assist the teachers in introducing the same into such schools as may be selected, under the direction of said Committee.

Indefinite postponement.

Yeas & Nays.

Dr. Palmer, of Ward 4, moved an indefinite postponement of the whole subject. Upon this motion it was Voted, on motion of Mr. Thayer, to take the Yeas and Nays.

Voted, on motion of Dr. Palmer, of Ward 4, that when the Board adjourn, it adjourn for four weeks. March 12, 1861.

After a discussion of the subject, at some length, it was voted to lay upon the table the motion for an indefinite postponement. Laid upon the table.

The Chair appointed the following Committee on the School Festival, agreeably to an order at the last meeting; viz, Messrs. Hall, Coale, Noble, Learnard and Whiton. School Festival; Committee on.

Voted, on motion of Dr. Alley, That the Secretary be directed to have the amendments of the Rules and Regulations, adopted during the past year, printed for the use of the members of this Board. Rules & Regulations: Amendments to be printed.

Thereupon, the meeting adjourned.

Attest;

Barnard Capen, Secretary.

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A Meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held, agreeably to adjournment, at the City Hall, on Tuesday, the ninth day of April, 1861, at 4 o'clock P.M. The President in the Chair.

Members absent.

Present, the whole Board, except Messrs. Bates, Dadmun, Eddy, Gannett, Green, of Ward 10, Newell, Noble, Read, Shurtleff, Slack, Upham, Whiton, Woodbury, and the President of the Common Council, and Messrs. Hinckley, Horner, Kimball & Lothrop, of Ward 4.

Report on Physical Training

The Report of the Committee on the subject of the introduction of Physical Training into the Public Schools, made at the last meeting, was taken up.

Dr. Palmer, of Ward 4, rose to a point of order, on the ground that the Orders embraced in the Report had not been regularly adopted at a meeting of that Committee. The Chair ruled, thereupon, that the Report was not legally before the Board, and must, consequently, return to the Committee.

Nominations confirmed.

Mr. Dawes announced the following changes in the Bigelow District, and the same were confirmed by the Board;

Bigelow Dist.

Martha C. Jenks, transferred from the Bigelow School to a Primary School in the same District.

Lawrence District.

Harriet S. Howes, transferred from a Primary School in the Lawrence District, to the Bigelow School.

Quincy School.

Miss Annie G. Cummings was confirmed as an Assistant in the Quincy School, commencing Dec. 8. 1860.

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The following teachers were nominated for confirmation:-

Emily S. Hutchins, Assistant in the Boylston School commencing March 25. 1861. — Boylston School.

Ruth E. Rowe, in a Primary School in the Boylston District, commencing March 4th, 1861. — Boylston District.

Mary J. Clark in a Primary School in the Hancock District, commencing Feb. 1st, 1861. — Hancock District.

Sarah C. Babcock in a Primary School in the Lawrence District, commencing April 1st. — Lawrence District.

Harriet W. Hammond, transfered from the Lincoln, to a Primary School in the Lawrence Dist't. — Lincoln District.

Harriet N. Howell, Assistant in the Lincoln School, commencing March 4. 1861. — Lincoln School.

C. Augusta Hunt, Assistant in the Quincy School, commencing March 4. 1861. — Quincy School.

Ordered, on motion of Dr. Brown, - That the sum of eleven dollars ($11.00) be paid to Florina Gray, for services in the "Nassau Hall" branch of the "South Street" School, from March 5th to March 16th, inclusive. Referred to the Committee on Salaries. — "South Street" School: Miss Gray's Services.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Parker, That there be paid to Miss Frances E. Wadleigh the sum of $17.00, in full for her services as temporary Assistant in the Boylston School, from March 4. 1861, to March 23d, 1861, inclusive. Referred to the Committee on Salaries. — Boylston School: Miss Wadleigh's Services.

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Latin School: W.R. Dimmock's Services.

Mr. Tuxbury offered the following, and it was duly referred to the Committee on Salaries:

Ordered, That the sum of $319.74 be paid to William R. Dimmock, for services as temporary teacher in the Latin School, from January 7 to March 23d, 1861, inclusive.

Amendment proposed to Rules & Regulations

Mr. Dunn, of Ward 9, offered the following;

Ordered, Sect. 2, of Chap. VIII. be amended by substituting, in the third line, the word five, for "four"; and that Sect. 1, of Chap. IX. be amended by inserting after the word "admission", the following clause; viz, "and provided that pupils shall be admitted into the sixth class, only within two weeks after each semi-annual promotion". Read, and referred to the Committee on Rules & Regulations.

Diploma for the First Class.

Ordered, on motion of Dr. Alley, That a Committee of three be appointed to prepare a suitable Diploma for the Second Div. of the First Class, pursuant to an order of the Board at a former meeting. The Chair appointed as that Committee Messrs. Alley, Burroughs and Morland.

Examination of Candidates for Teachers.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Parker, - That the Committee on Rules and Regulations be instructed to consider the expediency of providing, by means of a Standing Committee of the Board, or otherwise, a more uniform and thorough system in the examination of candidates for Teachers.

The Chair read a communication from Samuel G. Drake Esq. asking to have copies of his "History and Antiquities of Boston" placed in the School Libraries of the city, as a work of reference. The subject was referred to the Committee on Text Books.

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"Hist. & Antiquities of Boston".

The Chair read a communication, inviting the members of the Board to attend an exercise in Vocal Gymnastics, to be given by Mr. Charles O. Kimball.
The invitation was accepted.

Kimball, C.O.
communication.

Thereupon the Board adjourned.

Attest:

Barnard Capen, Secretary.

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The Annual Meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held at the City Hall, on Tuesday, the eleventh day of June, 1861, at 11 o'clock P.M. The President of the Common Council, in the absence of the President of the Board, in the Chair.

Present.-

Absent.

The whole Board, except Messrs. Ames, Capt. Dutton, Dunn, of Wards, Eddy, Hodges, Homans, Horner, Hooper, Lovell, Parsons, Sawyer, Stockbridge, Sturgis, and the President.

Teachers continued.

The following teachers were confirmed, having served satisfactorily the usual term of probation.-

Boylston Dist. Ellen M. Perkins, Primary, in the Boylston District.

Bowdoin Sch. Lucy C. Gould, Assistant in the Bowdoin School.

Hancock Dist. Mary J. Clark, Primary, in the Hancock District.

Lawrence Sch. Abigail Kyle, Head Assistant in the Lawrence School, commencing June 1, 1861.

Lincoln " Harriet A. Stowell, Assistant in the Lincoln School.

Lyman " Harriet F. Webster, Assistant in the Lyman School.

Quincy " School District. E. Augusta Hunt, Assistant, and Marian A. Flynn, Primary ~~Assistants~~ in the Quincy School District.

Anna B. Thompson, Assistant in the South "B" School.

Teachers nominated.

The following Teachers were nominated as being on probation:

Bowdoin Dist. Louisa J. Kivey, Primary, in the Bowdoin District, commencing May 1, 1861.

Boylston Dist. Anna C. Kiley, Primary, in the Boylston District,

commencing May 1st. 1861. June 11. 1861.

Eleone G. Tewksbury, Primary, in the Eliot District, commencing, March 4th 1861. Eliot District.

Mary J. Linsley, Temporary Teacher in the Hancock School, commencing March 4th, 1861. Hancock School

Catharine L. Clinton, commencing March 11th, and Sarah E. Daly, commencing March 18th, Assistants in the South Street School. "South Street" School.

Ellen F. Preble, Assistant in the Wells School, commencing June 1st, 1861. Wells School.

The Chair read a communication from Josiah Perham, asking permission to conduct the pupils of the Public Schools to the Exhibition of Curiosities at the "Aquarial Gardens" Perham, J. communication.

The Board then attended to the Reading of the Quarterly Reports, which were afterwards accepted. Quarterly Reports.

The Committee on Rules and Regulations, to whom were referred several propositions for amending the existing rules of this Board, respectfully submit the following Report:- Report of Committee on Rules & Regulations.

The first subject to which our attention is called is a proposition to determine more accurately the number of Medals and Diplomas to which each School shall be entitled at the Annual Exhibitions. By Chap. IV. Sect. 16, the number is now based upon the number of scholars upon the School Register. In practice there appear to be Medals and Diplomas; number of in each School.

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a variety of constructions put upon this expression; some taking it to mean the largest number upon the Register at any time during the year; others take the number upon the Register at the time of the annual, which is generally a much less number; and others still, take the average number for the year preceding.

This latter rule your Committee deem fairest and most desirable; and they recommend that this construction shall be made unmistakable as the rule in all cases; and, accordingly, that said Sect. 16, Chap. IV. should be amended by inserting, in the 12th line, the word "average" before the word "number," and by striking out the words "upon the School Register," in the 13th line of the section.

Age of admission to the Public Schools.

2. The second subject considered by the Committee was the age at which scholars shall be admitted to the Public Schools. The 29th Section of Chap. VIII, now provides that children upwards of four years of age, and otherwise qualified, shall be entitled to admission to the Public Schools.

The Order referred contemplates fixing the minimum age at five years instead of four.

The present Statutes of the Commonwealth do not appear to have fixed the legal age of scholars attending school at the place of their residence, but have left it to be fixed by the School Committees. The returns required to be made annually by the School Committee to the Secretary of the

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Board of Education, and upon which the apportionment of the School Fund is based, have, since the year 1849, only embraced children between the ages of five and fifteen. Thus, perhaps, only by implication recognizing such children as peculiarly entitled to attend the Public Schools.

But the minimum age is not fixed by law; and your Committee, upon the merits of the question, and for the purpose of preserving a seeming harmony with the implication only of the Statutes, recommend that the change contemplated by the first part of the Order, should be made, and that the said 29th Sect. of Chap. 8. should be amended by substituting, in the third line the word five, in place of the word "four", as the age of admission to the Public Schools.

At present the Committee do not recommend any change in the times of the year for admissions into the Sixth Class.

Temporary Teachers: Compensation of

3. Another subject considered by the Committee, by order of this Board, relates to the compensation to be allowed to temporary teachers employed in the Public Schools. By the 17th Section of Chap. VIII, the pay of Substitutes, of all grades, is definitely fixed. It is sometimes necessary to employ, temporarily, teachers who are not substitutes; and as no fixed and uniform rule of compensation for such is now provided, the Committee recommend that said 17th Sect. of Chap. VIII, be amended by adding at

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the end, the following: "The compensation for temporary teachers shall be the same as for substitutes of the same grade."

Girls' High & Normal School; School hours in.

4. It has been also proposed that the school hours in the Girls' High & Normal School should be made uniform throughout the year, and so as to correspond with the hours of session in the Latin School and in the English High School.

Your Committee think the request reasonable and the alteration desirable, and recommend that the 7th Section, of Chap. XII, be amended, so as to read as follows:- "There shall be only one session of the School daily, commencing at 9 o'clock A. M. and closing at 2 o'clock P.M. on each school day."

Girls' High & Normal School; Annual Exhibition of.

5. In regard to a change of time having the Annual Exhibition of the Girls' High & Normal School, this Committee recommend that no change should for the present be made in the existing Regulations.

"Evening Schools." Examination for Teachers.

In relation to the Order relating to the establishment of Evening Schools, and also the Order relating to the subject of providing a more thorough and uniform method of examination for teachers, the Committee respectfully ask for further time, that the subjects may be more appropriately considered upon their merits.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

For the Committee, Geo. W. Tuxbury, Chairman.

Read, and accepted. The Report thus being before the Board for consideration, Mr. Bates moved to amend the amendment proposed by the Com-

mittee to Sect. 16. Chap. IV. so as to read, in the tenth line, "the average number of pupils belonging to the School during the School year", which passed. June 11. 1861.

The amendment of the Committee, thus amended, then passed. Rules amended.

2. The amendment proposed by the Committee to Sect. 29. Chap. VIII, viz., to insert the word five, instead of "four", in the third line of said section, passed. It was also voted to add to the same Section, in the fourth line, the following: "Provided, however, that this rule shall not be construed so as to exclude any child already admitted to the Public Schools" Rules amended. Ditto

3. The amendment proposed by the Committee to Sect. 17. Chap. VIII. was adopted. "

4. The amendment proposed by the Committee to Sect. 7. Chap. XII. was adopted. "

The Committee on Salaries, to whom the following Orders were referred, respectfully report, as follows: Report of Committee on Salaries. —

1. Recommendation that the following Order do not pass: viz. "That the Committee on the Girls' High and Normal School be authorised to expend a sum not exceeding One Hundred Dollars annually, for lectures in that School" Girls' High & Normal School: Lectures in.

2. The adoption of the following Orders: viz. — Salary of Teacher of German in Girls' High & Normal School.

Ordered, That the salary of the teacher of German in the Girls' High and Normal School be at the rate of Four hundred and fifty dollars per

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A. E. Godwin: compensation for services in Chapman School. Ordered, That the sum of $85.00 be paid to Miss Anna E. Godwin, for services as teacher in the Fourth Class of the Chapman School, from Sept. 5. to Dec. 22nd.

Florence Gray: services in "South H." School. Ordered, That $11.00 be paid to Florina Gray, for services rendered in the Napean Hall branch of the "South Hunt" School, from March 5th to March 16th, inclusive.

F. E. Hutleigh; services in Boylston School. Ordered, That there be paid to Miss Frances E. Hutleigh the sum of $17.00, for her services as temporary assistant in the Boylston School, from March 4 to March 23 th. 1861. inclusive. Respectfully submitted. For the Committee. (Signed) E. Palmer.

Read, and accepted, and the Orders above recommended for adoption passed.

Latin School: School hours. Mr. Ellis offered the following; Ordered, That the school hours of the Latin School shall be, on Saturday, of each school week, from 9 A. M. to 1 P. M. After sundry amendments had been offered, proposing alterations in the hours of the three High Schools on Saturday & Wednesday, the whole subject of the school hours of those Schools was, on motion of Mr. Thayer, referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Annual Report of The Committee on Text Books present their Annual Report, as required by the Rules of the Board.

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Committee on Text Books

The Committee have reviewed the Course of Studies, but do not propose to recommend any changes, or any large additions to the text-books now in use. Applications were made by Publishers for a change in text books on Grammar, and prefaced with some earnestness; also for changes in Arithmetics, and for the introduction of some books of Reference. All these applications were worthy to be made, and received the attention of the Committee; that in relation to Grammars a thorough consideration; and, as compared with Bullions', now in use, or with Green's improved edition, as a text-book for our Public Schools, the Committee entertain a very favorable opinion of "Brown's First Lessons" and "Institutes of Grammar".

But, in regard to all these applications, the Committee felt that, in the present position and prospect of public affairs, it was not expedient to increase any of the expenses connected with the Public Schools.

The Committee recommend, therefore, only the following; the introduction of Bartholomew's Drawing Cards, and the permission of Eaton's Arithmetic in the Primary Schools; and submit the following Orders to that effect:

Bartholomew's Drawing Cards. Eaton's Primary Arithmetic.

Ordered, That the Committee on Accounts be authorized to furnish each Grammar School with such a number of sets, or such numbers of the set, of Bartholomew's Drawing Cards, as the respective Committee of each School may desire.

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Amendment of Rules proposed. Eaton's Primary Arithmetic

Ordered, That the 12th Section, of Chap. IX. of the Rules and Regulations, in the clauses describing the studies and text-books for the First & Second Classes in the Primary Schools, be amended by inserting after the words "North American Arithmetic," the words "or Eaton's Primary Arithmetic."

Respectfully submitted. For the Committee,

J. H. Lothrop, Chairman.

Read, and accepted, and the Orders passed.

Mr. Cobb offered the following:

Ordered, That the sum of $72.00 be paid to Mrs. Juliette J. Pierce, for services as Temporary Teacher in the Adams School, seventy two days, from March 4. 1861, to May 25th. Refered to the Committee on Salaries.

Martha Cox: pay for services: Chapman School.

Mr. Noble offered the following;

Ordered, That there be paid to Miss Martha Cox, Eighteen Dollars, for eighteen days' services as Teacher of the new Grammar Class in the Chapman School, from March 11th to March 30th inclusive. Refered to the Committee on Salaries.

Voted, on motion of Dr. Shurtleff, that, when the meeting adjourn, it be to meet on Tuesday next, at 4 o'clock P.M.

Under a suspension of the Rules, for the purpose, the following Orders passed:-

Bigelow District. New Primary.

1. Ordered: That the Bigelow District Committee be authorized to establish a new Primary School.

2. Ordered. That the Boylston School District Committee have leave to establish a new Primary School in said District.

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3. Ordered. That the Lawrence School District Committee be authorized to establish a new Primary School.

Lawrence Dist.; New Primary wanted.

4. Ordered. That the Wells School District Committee have authority to establish another Primary School.

Wells District; New Primary wanted.

On motion of Dr. Brewer, it was

Ordered, That Kingston Street should be, and hereby is, the dividing line between the Sections of the Winthrop and the South Street School.

Winthrop & South St. School Sections.

Ordered. That the Winthrop District Committee be authorised to establish an additional Primary School in, or near East Street. Referred to the Committee on School Houses.

Winthrop Dist. New Primary asked for.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Burroughs, That the Committee on School Houses be instructed to inquire as to the necessity and feasibility of the establishment of better ventilation in the Rooms of the English High School.

Eng. High School. Ventilation of Rooms.

On motion of Dr. Brewer,-

Ordered. That the Committee of the "South Street" School may authorise single sessions in said School, whenever, in the judgment of a majority of said Committee the welfare of any of the Classes will be thereby promoted.

"South St" School. Single Sessions authorised.

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Arithmetic in Second & Third Classes other than Eaton's.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Denny, That the Committee on Text Books be requested to consider the expediency of so amending Sect. 11. Chap. X. of the Rules and Regulations as to allow the use of some other Written Arithmetic than Eaton's, in the Second and Third Classes of the Grammar Schools.

Resignation of Mr. Riley on the Latin School Committee

The Chair read the resignation of Mr. Riley on the Committee on the Latin School; which was accepted. The Chair appointed to fill the vacancy caused by said resignation, Dr. Homans, of Ward 7, which the Board confirmed.

Mr. Homans appointed.

Tho. Sherwin's communication as to a Microscope.

The Chair read a communication from Mr. Sherwin, Master of the English High School, relative to the loss of a Microscope belonging to the School. Voted to refer said communication to the Committee on Accounts.

The Meeting then adjourned.

Attest:

Barnard Capen, Secretary.

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A Meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held, agreeably to adjournment, on Tuesday, the 18th day June, 1861, at 4 o'clock P.M. The President in the Chair.

Absent.

Present, The whole Board, except Hayes, Esq., Dadmun, Dana, Drew, of Ward 8, Eaton, Eddy, Ellis, Emerson, of Ward 10, Hinckley, Homer, Kidder, Lyman, Murdock, Newell, Pincroft, Paine, Randall, Read, Riley, Rofs. Rogers, Spear, Stockbridge, Stevens, Whiton and Woodbury.

Nominations.

Mary F. Colburn was nominated as on probation" in a Primary School in the Bigelow District, commencing May 17. 1861.

Bigelow District

Ruth Emma Rowe was confirmed as Teacher of a Primary School in the Boylston District.

Boylston District

Mary E. Easton was confirmed as Teacher of a Primary School in the Lincoln District.

Lincoln District.

Report of Committee on School Houses: New Primary School in Winthrop District.

The Committee on School Houses have had under consideration the Order for a new Primary School in the Winthrop District, in the neighborhood of East Street, and Report: -

There are in the building in East Street twelve Primary Schools taught in eleven Rooms.

The building as now constructed cannot properly accommodate more than 660 pupils, averaging 60 to a room. If enlarged, as proposed, it

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would then furnish seats for 720, or on an average of 56 to a School, for 672 pupils.

There are now on Register 732 pupils, and upwards of thirty have been denied admission, for want of room, or because they were not five years of age. In one room there were, June 15th, 120 pupils; in another 75, and in a majority the number exceeds 60 to a room. The present number on the Register would give thirteen full Schools, with a surplus. In view of these facts your Committee are of the opinion that the establishment of a new School is a necessity, and recommend the adoption of the accompanying Order.

Per Committee, Otis Kimball, Chairman.

Read, and accepted, and the Order passed. (page 269)

Vacancy in the Board.

Mr. Mavin offered the following;

Whereas, a vacancy exists in this Board, caused by the removal from the city of John W. Dadman, of Ward 5,—

Convention proposed

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Board of Aldermen, proposing a Convention of both Boards on Monday, July 1st, at four o'clock P.M. for the purpose of filling said vacancy, and that public notice be given of the same pursuant to law. The Order passed.

Amendment of Rules proposed.

Dr. Hall offered the following;

Ordered; That Chap. IX. Sect. 1. be amended by inserting, after the word School, in the first line,

the following: "on Mondays only, except in case of transfer." Referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations. June 18, 1861.

The Committee on Rules and Regulations, to whom was referred the Order relating to the times of closing the Session of the Latin School on Wednesdays and Saturdays, with the amendments proposed to the same, respectfully submit the following Report: — Report of Com. on Rules & Regulations: School Hours of the Latin School

That, after a full consideration of the question, the Committee have thought that the best arrangement which they could agree upon was, that the School Hours in all the High Schools should be from 9 o'clock in the morning to 2 o'clock in the afternoon, except on Saturdays, when the Schools should close at 1 o'clock P.M. They therefore recommend that Chap. XI, Sect. 7 be amended by adding at the end of the Section, the following words. — "except on Saturdays, when the hour of closing shall be one o'clock P.M." Also, that Chap. XII, Sect. 7, and Chap. XIII, Sect. 8, be likewise amended, by adding to each severally the same words.

Eng. High "
Girls High "

Respectfully submitted. For the Committee.

G. W. Tuttle Chairman.

On motion of Mr. Slack the question on the recommendations of the Committee was taken separately on the three distinct amendments proposed, and the amendments to Sect. 7, Chap. XI, and Sect. 5 Chap. XIII, were adopted accordingly. Amendments adopted.

June 18, 1861. On motion of Dr. Rufell the amendment to Sect. 7. Chap. XII. was so amended as to include Wednesdays, as well as Saturdays. The amendment thus amended was adopted.

"Fowle's Manual of Eng. Pronunciation & Spelling" Dr. Lothrop offered the following;

Ordered, That a copy of Fowle's Manual of English Pronunciation and Spelling" be placed in each Teachers room, in the Grammar Schools, as a book of reference. Referred, on motion of Dr. Bartlett, to the Committee on Accounts.

J. L. Philbrick chosen Superintendent of Schools. Voted, on motion of Dr. Hall, to proceed to the election of a Superintendent of Public Schools. The Chair appointed as a Committee to collect the ballots, Messrs. Bartlett, Palmer and Sunbury; who reported the whole No. to be 115; necessary for a choice 23; that John D. Philbrick had 33; Loring Lothrop 9, Otis Norcross 1, blank 2.

Mr. Philbrick, having the requisite number of votes, was declared elected.

Election of Masters in Secret Session. Voted, on motion of Mr. Sunbury, to proceed to the Election of Masters of the High and Grammar Schools. The Board then went into secret session, on motion of Mr. Mannin.

The several Committees nominated candidates for Masters of the respective Schools; and Messrs. Kimball, Hall and Dennie, having been appointed to collect the ballots, proceeded, and reported as follows;

For Master of the Latin School,		Francis Gardner.	June 18, 1861.
English High School,		Thomas Sherwin.	
Girls' High & Normal School,		William H. Seavey.	
Adams,	Percival W. Bartlett	Hancock,	George Allen jr.
Bigelow,	no choice.	Lawrence,	Josiah A. Stearns.
Bowdoin,	Daniel C. Brown	Lincoln,	Samuel Barrett
Boylston,	William I. Adams	Lyman,	Hosea H. Lincoln.
Brimmer,	Joshua Bates	Mayhew,	Samuel Swan.
Chapman,	John P. Averill	Phillips,	James Hovey.
Dwight,	James A. Page.	Quincy,	Charles C. Valentine.
Eliot,	Samuel H. Larson.	"South Street"	——— ———
Everett,	George B. Hyde.	Wells,	Reuben Swan.
Franklin,	Samuel G. Gould	Winthrop,	Robert Swan.

Ordered, on motion of Dr. Brewer, - That William I. Adams be transferred from the Masterships of the Boylston School, to that of the "South Street" School, his duties in the exclusive charge of the latter to commence in September. "South Street" School: Master chosen.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Parker, - That the Secretary of this Board be directed to give the notices required by the Rules and Regulations, for the election of a Master of the Boylston School; and that said notice be inserted two weeks, at least, in two or more newspapers published in the City of Boston; all applications to be made on or before the 17th day of July next. Boylston School Masterships.

On motion of Mr. Dawes it was

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Bigelow School. Master chosen.

Voted to proceed to second ballot for the choice of a Master of the Bigelow School.

The Committee proceeded, and afterwards reported the following result. Whole No. of votes 43; Necessary for a choice (by the Rules of the Board) 30. Joseph Hale had 37; scattering 6. Mr. Hale, having the requisite number, was declared chosen.

Annual Election of Teachers.

The Board then proceeded to the election of the Subordinate Teachers in the High & Grammar Schools, and the Teachers of the Primary Schools in the various Districts, upon the nomination, for that purpose, of the respective Committees; with the following result:-

Latin School. Latin School. Edwin H. Magill, Sub Master; Charles J. Capen, Moses Merrill, Joseph A. Hale, Albert Palmer, and Franklin B. Gannett, Ushers. N.B. M. De Montachy, Teacher of French.

English High School. English High School. Charles M. Cumston, and Luther V. Anderson, Sub Masters. Ephraim Hunt, and Charles Cahill, Ushers. William N. Bartholomew, Teacher of Drawing.

Girls' High & Normal School. Girls High and Normal School. Harriet E. Caryl, Head Assistant. Maria A. Bacon, Helen W. Avery, Catharine Knapp, Annie S. Greene, Margaret A. Rodger, Emma F. Temple, Mary E. Scates, and Adeline L. Sylvester, Assistants. William N. Bartholomew, Teacher of Drawing. Phillip Willner, Teacher of German.

Adams School. Adams School. Robert E. Metcalf, Sub Master. Jane S. Tower, Margaret J. Allison, Elizabeth E. Lothrop,

Head Assistants. Josephine J. Jones, Mary E. Hoffman, Almira G. Smith, Mary E. White, Lucy A. Wiggin, Sarah J. D'Arcy, Assistants. Primary Teachers. Rosa L. Morse, Sarah F. Wiggin, Annette A. Webster, Mary H. Allen, Esther L. Morse, Emily C. Morse, Mary E. McLoud and Susan D. Wilder. On probation, Sarah E. Washburn. Teacher of Sewing, Eliza A. Wiggin. June 18, 1861. Primary.

Bowdoin School. Mary A. Murdock, Rebecca Lincoln, Marcy Ann Smith, Head Assistants. Mary L. Robinson, Elizabeth B. Mitchell, Hannah L. Andrews, Sophia B. Hon, Martha A. Palmer, Irene W. Wentworth, Mary A. Proctor, and Lucy C. Gould, Assistants. Primary Teachers: Malvenda N. Parker, Mary A. Howe, C. Eliza Mason, Charlotte A. Curtis, L. Elizabeth Adams, Marianne Stephens, F. D. R. Whitman, Olive Ruggles. On probation, from May 1st, Louise D. Hovey. Bowdoin School. Primary.

Boylston School. John Jameson, Sub Master. Willard S. Cobb, Usher. Sarah E. Emmons, Head-Assistant. Sarah Fuller, Mary L. Holland, Mary Davis, Minnie A. Farwell, Avenick S. White, Carrie L. G. Badger, Assistants. Primary Teachers. Sarah A. Lombard, Adelia E. Edwards, Ellen M. Perkins, Maria B. Clapp, A. E. N. Treadwell, Angelia M. Newmarch, Maria J. Colburn, Mary G. Hillman, Anna M. Lecain, H. Isabella Hopkins, Ruth Emma Rowe, Emily Peasley, Mary E. Sawyer, Celesto Weed, Anna M. Desmond, Octavia E. Heard, Abby M. Parker, Julia P. Lombard, Hannette D. Cutler, Lydia B. Pitt, Celia Hixon. Boylston School. Primary.

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Committee on the Vacancy in the Board.

The Chair nominated the following Committee to propose a candidate to the Board, for the purpose of filling the vacancy caused by the removal from the city of John N. Dadmun of Ward 5: viz, Messrs. Kincaid and Cook, from the Ward, and Messrs. Upham, Alley and Gannett, at large.

On motion of Dr. Gilchrist, it was

Voted, That when the Board adjourn, it be to Monday, July 1st, at 4 o'clock P.M.

Thereupon the Board adjourned.

Attest:

Richard Copen, Secretary.

July 1. 1861.

A Meeting of the School-Committee of the City of Boston was held at the City Hall, agreeably to adjournment, on Monday, the first day of July, 1861. at Four o'clock P.M.

The President of the Board in the Chair.

Absent.

Present, The whole Board, except Messrs. Cafs Eeale, Dana, Eaton, Eddy, Ellis, Green, of Ward 10, Hinckley, Kruger, Lothrop, of Ward 4, Lyman, Morland, Murdock, Newell, Paine, Parsons, Randall, Rofs. Sawyer, Stockbridge, Sturgis, Townsend, Tuthury, Upham, Whiton, Woodbury, and the President of the Common Council.

Convention held.

Agreeably to appointment a Convention was held with the Board of Aldermen, for the purpose filling the vacancy caused by the removal from the City, of John W. Dadmun, of Ward 5.

Report of Committee.

Mr. Nichols read the Report of the Committee appointed to nominate a candidate; presenting the name of Joseph L. Bates.

Vacancy filled.

The Chair appointed Alderman Ray, and Messrs. Kimball and Slack, a Committee to collect the Ballots: who reported the Whole No. to be 49: necessary to a choice 25: Joshua F. Wilbur had 2, Joseph L. Bates had 47. Mr. Bates was declared chosen. Thereupon, the business of the Convention being accomplished, the two Boards separated.

Joseph L. Bates chosen.

Teachers confirmed.

The following Teachers, having completed their probation, were confirmed;

July 1. 1861. Emily S. Hutchins, Assistant in Boylston School.
Boylston Schol. Elenore G. Tewksbury, Primary, in the Eliot District.
Eliot District.

Nominations The following Teachers were nominated as being on probation; viz. —

Eliot Schol. Fanny R. Richardson, Assistant, in the Eliot School.
" District. Sarah A. Winsor, and Eliza Rintnall, Primary, in the Eliot District.
Hancock District. Elizabeth F. Frye, and Anne H. Runn, Primary, in the Hancock District.
Lawrence District. Harriet W. Hammond, and Mary A. Spear, Primary in the Lawrence District.

Music Teachers nominated. Dr. Read, from the Committee on Music, nominated, for confirmation, - agreeably to the Rules of the Board, the following Teachers of Music; viz. Carl Zerahn, Charles Butler, Edwin Bruce, Albert Drake, and Samuel Swan; who were duly confirmed.

Annual Election of Teachers. The Board resumed, from the last Meeting, the Annual Election of Teachers, as follows: -

Bigelow School. Bigelow School, Charles Goodwin Clark, Sub-Master. Rachel C. Mather, Julia M. Baxter, Celinda Seaver, Head Assistants. Mary A. Hale, Louisa M. Wellington, Emily A. Russell, Harriet L. Howes, Jane M. Chennington, Elizabeth Williams, Lucy E. Lovell, Sophia B. Whiton, and Roxanna N. Blanchard, Assistants. Elizabeth Dodge, Teacher of Sewing. Albert Drake, Teacher of Vocal Music.

Primary. Primary Teachers. Sarah E. R. Manning, Martha

C. Jenks, Annie C. Gill, Josephine B. Chennington, Sarah A. Graham, Emeline L. Tolman, Elizabeth A. Graves, Ruth S. Dillaway, Tiley Ann Bolkcom, Maria A. Cook, Florence W. Stetson, Caroline R. Holway. July 1. 1861.

Brimmer School. W. L. P. Boardman, Sub Master, William Reed, Usher. Rebecca L. Duncan, Head Assistant. Mary E. Beck, Augusta H. Farar, Mercie T. Snow, Susan P. Cunningham, Amanda Snow, Harriet E. Howard, Harriet N. Lane, Mary M. Knight, Mercy A. Davie, Assistants. Edwin Bruce, Teacher of Music. Primary Teachers. Eliza F. Moriarty, Eliza E. Foster, Lucy H. Symonds, Emma F. Whiton, Sarah R. Bowles, M. Anne Bourne, Dorcas B. Baldwin, Deborah K. Burgess, Sarah Farley, Martha J. Coolidge, Rebecca J. Weston, Catharine M. E. Richardson. Brimmer Sch. Primary

Chapman School. William H. Ward, Sub Master. Maria D. Kimball, Head Assistant. Roxellana Howard, A. Delia Hickney, Mary E. Moore, Louisa M. Collyer, Mary A. H. Ginger, Mary M. Morse, Sarah J. Butler, Assistants. Frances E. Close, Teacher of Sewing. Charles Butler, Teacher of Vocal Music. Chapman School.

Primary Teachers: Mary C. Hall, Louisa Curtis, Elizabeth G. Johnson, Huldah K. Mitchell, Mary D. Day, Jane E. Beale, Sarah A. Pratt, Helen F. Banks, Mary E. Morse, Sarah A. Small, Zelinda L. Barnes, Ellen M. Robbins, Margaret F. Bartlett, Harriet N. Tyler, Hannah F. Crafts. On probation, Philura Wight, Head Assistant, and Anne E. Walker, Assistant, in the Chapman School. Primary.

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Dwight Sch.

Dwight School. Charles Hutchins, Sub Master. Lucius A. Wheelock, Usher, Anna E. Ellis, Head Assistant. Gertrude Taylor, Jane M. Hight, Anna F. Halstick, Mary J. Roy, Eva M. Kettle, Clara B. Gould, Emma A. Holmes, Martha A. Joslin, Mary J. Gardner. Teacher of Music, Charles Butler.

Primary

Primary Teachers. Mary F. Moore, Augusta A. Dennis, Mary E. R. Foster, Henrietta Draper, Eliza G. Swett, Jane P. Titcomb.

Elliot School.

Elliot School. McLaurin P. Cook, Sub Master, Walter H. Newell, Usher. Sophia A. Poole, Head Assistant. Elizabeth M. Turner, Carrie Goodrich, Anna E. Dyke, Helen Paton, Frances M. Dodge, Clara H. Nickerson, Georgiana D. Russell, Victoria G. Wheat, Assistants. Primary Teachers. Sophia Shepard, Clarissa Davis, Eleanor G. Tewksbury, Sarah C. Chevillier, Harriet L. Brody, Eliza J. Cosgrave, Mary A. Cushing, Juliette Davis, Sarah Ripley, Julia Ann Cutts, Isabelle Tewksbury, Helen M. Turner, Mary E. Barrett, Maria A. Gibbs.

Primary.

Everett School.

Everett School. Eliza A. Harding, Frances E. Keller, Janet M. Crighton, Head Assistants. Elizabeth A. Browne, Susan E. Green, Louisa Tucker, Louisa E. Atkins, Ann J. Bolden, Sarah W. Pollard, Assistants. Charles Butler, Teacher of Music. Mrs. Eleanor T. Browne, Teacher of Sewing. Primary Teachers. Caroline F. Barr, Elizabeth Newman, Eliza C. Gould, Anna R. Frost, Caroline T. Emmet, Mary A. Crocker, Betsey H. Warren, and Lydia F. Blanchard.

Franklin School. Mary H. Ellis, Catharine T. Simmonds, Sarah A. Gale, Head Assistants. Sarah P. Mitchell, Lydia H. Emmons, P. Catharine Bradford, Susan E. Gates, Abbie F. Davis, Elizabeth J. Brown, L. Isabel Barry, Mary J. Leach, Mary A. Mitchell, Assistants. Charles Butler, Teacher of Music. Maria S. Wolcott, Teacher of Sewing. Primary Teachers. Jane L. Hobart, Susan H. Chaffee, Abbie K. Sweetser, Helen E. Eaton, Emeline J. Brown, Josephine G. Whipple, Georgiana A. Ballard, Elizabeth P. Cummings, Maria Jenkins, Frances M. Sylvester, Lucy A. Beck, Eliza Dyar, Eliza Ann Tirrill, Hannah M. Coolidge, Harriet M. Faxon, Caroline A. Miller. July 1. 1861. Franklin School. Primary.

Hancock School. Phineas G. Parmenter, Sub Master. Angelina A. Brigham, Head Assistant. Susan W. Porter, Esther F. Wilder, Sarah E. White, Henrietta L. Pierce, Helen M. Hitchings, Martha F. Winning, Anne B. Hall, Achsah Barnes, Malvina R. Brigham, Mary S. Gale, Ellen A. Hunt, Assistants. Edwin Bruce, Teacher of Music. Jennie D. Buck, Teacher of Sewing. Primary Teachers. Mary L. Cunningham, Sarah L. Shepard, Sarah F. Ellis, Mary J. Clark, Emily A. Tewksbury, Margaret W. Hall, Adeline F. Bodge, Harriet Vose, Eunice F. Linsley, Martha F. Boody, Esther W. Mansfield, Susan Page, Fannie Hancock, Kate L. Sawyer. Hancock School. Primary.

Lawrence School. Henry C. Hardon, Sub Master. Margaret Kyle, Mary W. Conant, Kate W. Towne, Head Assistants. Juliette Smith, Alice Cooper, Martha J. Newmarch, Olive M. Jeffords, Elizabeth L. Jeffords, Marguerite A. Moody, Louisa C. Richards, Jane Louisa Lawrence School. Do. do.

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Sharpe, Lucantia P. Bradley, Eliza L. Darling, Assistants. Albert Drake, Teacher of Vocal Music, Sarah J. Bliss, Teacher of Sewing. Primary Teachers. Lucinda Smith, Olive W. Green, Sarah J. Blake, Mary E. Fox, Elizabeth L. Allen, Mary P. Baker, Elizabeth Hill, Mary K. Davis, Sarah V. Cunningham, Rebecca H. Bird, Mary Vincent, Anna R. Thurston, Mary A. Macnair, Laura A. Reed, Sarah P. Hall, Sarah C. Babcock.

Lincoln School.

Lincoln School. Charles A. Morrill, Sub-Master, Mary E. Balch, Martha A. Dearborn, Myra S. Butterfield, Head Assistants. Anne M. Brown, Laura Bartlett, Cynthia K. Sears, Ariadne B. Jewell, Frances A. Nickles, Harriet A. Stowell, Assistants. Albert Drake, Teacher of Vocal Music. Elizabeth Beddington, Teacher of Sewing. Primary Teachers. Laura J. Gerry, Mary H. Saxon, Mary E. Easton, Caroline F. Burrill, Lucy C. Bartlett, Lydia N. Bates, Carrie M. Lyon, Annie E. Wallcut, Susan W. Smith.

Lyman School.

Lyman School. James F. Blackinton, Sub-Master, Mary O. Bulfinch, Mary F. Gage, Cordelia Lothrop, Head Assistants. Eliza F. Rupell, Amelia H. Pitman, Harriet N. Webster, Assistants. Charles Butler, Teacher of Vocal Music. Frances C. Close, Teacher of Sewing.

Primary.

Primary Teachers. Mary K. Crane, Clara J. Dyer, Isabella A. Bilby, Hannah C. Atkins, Susan H. M. Swan, Hannah L. Manson, Angelina M. Cudworth, Helen H. Hunley, Sarah J. Bosworth.

Mayhew School.

Mayhew School. Alfred Kewins, Sub Master, Emily A. Hunton, Head Assistant, Quincy E. Dickerman, Assistant. Elizabeth P. Hopkins, Sarah W. Cope-

land, Elizabeth L. West, Adeline F. Cutter, Mary G. Powell, Assistants. Primary Teachers, Pamelia Stevens, Bethia Whiting, Caroline Wason, M. Electa Lamiatt, Mary E. Parker, Catharine W. Callender, Harriet A. Tarbox, Henrietta B. Tower, Caroline L. Brown. July 1. 1861. Primary.

Phillips School. Amphion Gates, Sub Master, John M. Colcord, Usher. Isabella H. Wilson, Head Assistant. Laura M. Porter, Hannah M. Sutton, Elvira M. Harrington, M. Josephine Dugan, Emily A. Perkins, Harriet A. Cunningham, Lucy L. Stevens, & Abby A. Reed, Assistants. Edwin Bruce, Teacher of Vocal Music. Primary Schools. Mary A. Allen, Sarah M. Turner, Josephine Couthony, Caroline P. Eastman, Abby A. Lincoln, Eliza A. Corthell, Sarah Ingalls, Harriet H. King, Emeline D. Fish, Ruth M. Tarbox. Phillips School. Primary.

Quincy School. Benjamin W. Putnam, Sub Master, Edward Gay, Usher. Josephine L. Tucker, 1st Head Assistant. Lydia A. Hanson, 2nd Head Assistant. Julia B. Burrell, Harriet D. Hinckley, Angeline A. Moulton, E. Maria Simonds, Olive M. Page, Sarah E. Chandler, Elizabeth T. Bailey, Charlotte L. Wheelwright, Annie E. Cummings, Emily P. Pick, Augusta Hunt, Assistants. Charles Butler, Teacher of Vocal Music. Primary Teachers. Sophronia N. Herrick, Hannah A. Laurence, Adeline Stockbridge, Marian A. Flynn, Mary C. Greene, Charlotte L. Young, Sarah C. Anderson, Elizabeth T. Emmons, Mary A. B. Gore, Harriet A. Dow, Caroline M. Grover, Frances Torrey, Hannah E. Moore, Hannah L. Billings, Quincy School. Primary.

July 1, 1861. Caroline L. P. Toney, Caroline H. Harris, Agnes Duncan, Henrietta Madigan, Julia A. Winston, Rebecca R. Thayer, Abby M. Mills.

"South Street School." South Street School. Frances H. Nichols, First Head Assistant. Clarinda R. F. Treadwell, Second Head Assistant. Eliza J. Read, Third Head Assistant. Susan H. Thaxter, Fourth Head Assistant. Ellen M. F. Treadwell, Ellen M. Kendry, Caroline W. Marshall, Frances R. Kenny, Catharine L. Clinton, Rosetta M. Hodges, Mary E. Nichols, Anne L. Maynard, Anna B. Thompson, Sarah E. Daly, Assistants. Charles Butler, Teacher of Vocal Music. Eliza A. Baxter, Teacher of Sewing.

Wells School. Wells School. William H. Swan, Sub Master, Matilda A. Gerry, Head Assistant. Mary L. Carter, Sarah J. Lothrop, Juliana Spaneil, Lydia L. Chandler, Sarah E. Wiggin, Lydia A. Beck, Assistants. Edwin Bruce, Teacher of Vocal Music. Mary E. Kludge, Sewing Teacher. Primary Teachers. Mary F. Jones, Anna F. James, Elizabeth W. Snow, Augusta H. Foster, Lucy M. A. Redding, Mary L. Bailey, Elizabeth S. Grafton, Elizabeth P. Foster, Maria W. Turner, Mary L. Watts.

Winthrop School. Winthrop School. Susan A. W. Loring, 1st, Mary G. Ladd, 2nd, Rebecca P. Barry, 3d, Almira Seymour, 4th, Martha C. Towne, 5th, Head Assistant. Mary Newell, Mary E. Davis, Kate F. Perrigo, Hannah H. Hosmer, Abbie A. Cutter, Jr. Ellen Higgins, Mary J. Penforth, Georgiana Spaneil, Emily N. Hathaway, Assistants. Charles Butler, Teacher of Vocal Music. Hannah A. Rolfe, Teacher of Sewing.

Primary. Primary Teachers. Anna O. Jones, Mary B. Browne, Ellen E. Leach, Dora Norton, Mary E. Pettengill, Anna

E. Federhen, Mary A. Sylvester, Sarah E. Lewis, Harriet A. Bettis, Priscilla Johnson, Fanny E. Jennison, Elizabeth C. Trink, Susan Frizzell, Elizabeth P. Buttley. Carl Zerrahn was confirmed as Teacher of Music in the Girls' High and Normal School. July 1. 1861. Girls' High & Normal School

Charles Butler was confirmed as Teacher of Vocal Music in the Adams and Bowdoin Schools

Samuel Swan was confirmed as Teacher of Vocal Music in the Mayhew School.

Voted, on motion of Dr. Palmer, of Ward 4, That the Salaries of the Instructors of the Public Schools, for the School year commencing on the first Monday of September next, be the same as for the present School year. Salaries of Instructors fixed.

Voted, on motion of Dr. Palmer, of Ward 4, That the Salary of the Superintendent of Public Schools be the same for the next year, commencing Sept. 1st, 1861. as for the year then terminating. Salary of Superintendent of Schools fixed.

On motion of Dr. Lothrop, James Robinson appointed Teacher.

Ordered, That Mr. James Robinson be appointed an Assistant Teacher for the School year beginning on the first Monday in September, to perform such services, and give such instruction in Arithmetic and Book-keeping, in either of our Schools as he may be called on to perform by the Superintendent, or either of the Chairmen of our District Committees, at a salary of Six hundred dollars a year.

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Report, Committee on Schools

J. J. Pierce's Services: Hanscom School.

Ruth E. Cox: pay for services, Chapman Dist.

H. R. Dimmock: salary, for services in Latin School.

The Committee on Schools recommend the adoption of the following Orders.

Respectfully submitted. For the Committee.

Signed: E. Palmer.

1. Ordered, That the sum of $70.00 be paid to Miss Juliette J. Pierce, for services as a temporary teacher in the Hanscom School, from March 4. to May 25th, 1861.

2. Ordered, That there be paid to Miss Martha E. Cox, $18.00 for service as teacher in the Chapman District, from March 11 to March 30. 1861.

3. Ordered, That there be paid to Mr. William H. Dimmock, for services temporary teacher, in the Latin School, the sum of Two hundred and thirteen Dollars, & seventy five cents, service rendered from Jan. 10. 1861. to March 23. 1861.

The Orders "1" and "2", above, were adopted.

Dr. Shurtleff moved to amend the Order "No. 3," by substituting $319.74. for the amount named therein. A motion to suspend the rules to allow the amendment to be received was lost.

The Order was then, on motion of Mr. Riley, laid on the table.

Additional accommodations in Hancock and Eliot Districts.

Dr. Hall offered the following;

Ordered, That the Committee on School Houses consider what additional accommodations are needed in the Hancock and Eliot School Districts, and report thereon.

Thereupon it appeared that

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No Quorum.
Roll called.

there was no quorum present, and, agreeably to the Rules of the Board, the Roll was called, and the following names of absentees were recorded; Mayo, Brown, Burnham, Capt, Cvale, Dane, Drew, of Ward 8, Eaton, Eddy, Ellis, Green, of Ward 10, Hitchins, Hinckley, Homer, Hooper, Krueger, Lothrop, of Ward 4, Lyman, Morland, Murdock, Newell, Nichols, Paine, Parsons, Randall, Read, Ross, Russell, Sawyer, Slack, Stockbridge, Sturgis, Townsend, Tuxbury, Upham, Whiton, Woodbury, and the President of the Common Council, and Mr. Bates, of Ward 5.

The Meeting then dissolved.

Attest:

Barnard Capen, Secretary.

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A Meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held at the City Hall on Tuesday, the 6th day August 1861, at four o'clock P.M. The President of the Common Council in the Chair.

Present, The whole Board, except Messrs. Jones, Dunham, Dunnings, Capt. Dana, Dewes, Eaton, Eddy, Ellis, Fessenden, Gannett, Green, of Ward 10, Hinckley, Kimball, Morland, Newell, Nibbe, Norcross, Rundall, Ross, Sawyer, Tuxbury, Upham, Whiton, and the President of the Board.

Absent.

Secret Session

On motion of Dr. Lothrop the Board went into secret session.

Report of Committee on Boylston School Masterships

The Committee upon whom devolved the duty of examining applicants for the vacant Masterships of the Boylston School, have discharged that duty, and respectfully Report:

That, pursuant to public notice, given as required by the Rules, and as directed by the Board, twenty-nine gentlemen presented themselves, and were examined by the Committee on the 24th ult. The names of the candidates examined are as follows: viz. —

David Bentley, E. P. Blood, Thomas K. Chandler, Willard J. Cobb, Stevens G. Cowdrey, Henry Dame, C. A. Daniels, F. O. Ellis, John F. Frye, Hall Grandgent, Alvin Hewins, L. B. Hubbard, John Jameson, Henry H. Kimball, Charles H. Knowlton, George T. Littlefield, E. H. Munch, C. G. C. Paine, J. T. Pamplin, William Reed, Weden Reynolds, Samuel G. Sargent, Addison

Smith, F. D. Waterman, A. H. Wheeler, Lucius A. Wheel- Aug. 6. 1861.
ock, Gustavus B. Williams, Henry B. Brown, E. P. Gould.

With the exception of Reading the examination was conducted by written questions in the several branches of Orthography, Arithmetic, Grammar, Geography, History, Natural Philosophy, Physiology, and Book-keeping. The answers of each candidate, when completed, were examined by the Committee, and a record made of the result. On the day following the examination these results were compared by the Committee, and the merits of the applicants discussed, particularly those of the five whose papers were most satisfactory. Of these five the Committee selected two, Mr. Lucius A. Wheelock, and Mr. Alfred Hewins, whom, in accordance with the provision in our Rules, they voted to designate to the Board as among those whose examination was most satisfactory. Both these gentlemen are well known to many members of the Board, both sustain an unblemished moral character, and both have had large experience in the management of schools composed of materials similar to those which constitute by far the larger portion of the Boylston School. Mr. Hewins is thirty years of age. He was educated at the public schools in Dedham, in this state, and by private teachers, under whom he began a preparatory course of studies for College. These studies were interrupted by the decease of his father, and he subsequently devoted himself to the business of Teaching, which vocation he has

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ever since pursued. He has been four years principal of the Washington Grammar School, Roxbury, five years Usher in the Eliot School, in this city, and, during the last four years he has, with great ability and success discharged the duties of Sub Master in the Hayden School.

Mr. Wheelock is thirty two years of age, and a graduate of Brown University. After leaving College he was for a period of about seven years, principal of a Grammar School in Providence, R.I., and his testimonials afford ample evidence of his eminent success in that capacity. During the last two years and a half he has been employed as Usher in the Dwight School in this city, having had, for some portion of that time, the exclusive charge of a large division (nearly one half) of the whole school.

The Master, and several members of the District Committee, furnish abundant testimony to his success in this school, and to his general qualifications, both as a teacher and a disciplinarian. Mr. Wheelock has also had some experience as principal or superintendent of large evening schools, both in this city and in Providence; and, on the whole, a majority of the Committee present regard him as the better qualified for the office he solicits.

It is but justice to the other candidates who appeared before the Committee, to say that the examination of many of them was highly creditable, and afforded plenary evidence of their eminent qualifications and fitness for the office of Grammar Mas-

ter. Respectfully submitted. For the Committee. Aug. 6. 1861.
(signed) A. D. Parker, Chairman.

In School Committee, Aug. 6, 1861.

At a meeting of the Committee, held this day, at the City Hall, it was voted, unanimously, to amend the foregoing Report, by inserting therein the name of John Jameson, as one of the candidates whose examination was most satisfactory to the Committee. Mr. Jameson is thirty three years of age; received his education chiefly in the public schools of Lynn; (the Lynn High School, and Lynn Academy,) and sustains an unexceptionable moral character. He has been a succesful teacher in various District and Grammar Schools in this city and its vicinity, for more than ten years; having been during the last year and a half, Sub Master of the Boylston School, in which capacity he has been entirely succesful, and given great satisfaction both as an instructor and a disciplinarian. His competency and fidelity as a Grammar Master are unquestionable. For the Committee
(signed) A. D. Parker, Chairman.

Read, and accepted, and, thereupon, voted to proceed to an election.

The Chair read a request from Cornelius Walker, to be appointed Master of the Boylston School, and the same was placed on file. C. Walker's request.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Lyman, Dennie, and Greene, of Ward 3, a Committee to collect the ballots.

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1st Ballot — who reported the whole No. of votes to be 48: Necessary for a choice, by the Rules of the Board, 30; that Mr. Wheelock had 15, Mr. Hewins 21, Mr. Jameson 6, Mr. Walker 2, Mr. Chandler 4. No person had the requisite number of votes, and the Board proceeded

2nd Ballot — to a 2nd Ballot. Whole No. of votes, 47. Mr. Hewins had 21; Mr. Wheelock 15; Mr. Jameson 6; Mr. Chandler 4; Mr. Walker 2, and, there was no choice. Proceeded to

3d Ballot — a 3d Ballot. Whole No. of votes 53. Whereupon it appeared that there were more votes cast than there were members present. The Chair declared the ballot invalid, and the Board then proceeded to a 4th Bal-

4th Ballot — lot. Whole No. of votes, 48; Mr. Hewins had 23. Mr. Wheelock 15, Mr. Jameson 6, Mr. Walker 3, Mr. Chandler 1; and there was no choice. The Board proceeded to a

5th Ballot — 5th Ballot. Whole No. of votes 48. Mr. Hewins had 26. Mr. Wheelock 14, Mr. Jameson 7, Mr. Walker 1. & there being no choice, the Board proceeded to a —

6th Ballot — 6th Ballot. Whole No. of votes 48. Mr. Hewins had 26, Mr. Wheelock 16. Mr. Jameson 5, & Mr. Walker 1. and there was, consequently, no choice. Proceeded to a

7th Ballot — 7th Ballot. Whole No. of votes 48: Mr. Hewins had 27. Mr. Wheelock 17, Mr. Jameson 3, Mr. Walker 1. No person having the required number of votes, 30. the Board proceeded to the 8th Ballot, with this result.

8th Ballot — 8th Ballot. Whole No. of votes 47. Mr. Hewins had 28. Mr. Wheelock 18. Mr. Jameson 1. and there was no choice.

9th Ballot. — 9th Ballot. Whole No. of votes 45. Mr. Hewins had 28. Mr. Wheelock 16. Mr. Jameson 1. and there was no choice.

10th Ballot. — 10th Ballot, and the last. Whole No. of votes 46. No., by

the Rules, necessary for a choice, 30. Mr. Kewins had 30. Mr. Wheelock 16. Mr. Kewins had the requisite number, and was declared elected. Aug. 6, 1861. Alfred Kewins elected.

The Chair read the resignation of Thomas Dawes, as a member of this Board, from Ward Twelve. The resignation was accepted; whereupon Mr. Simonds offered the following: — Thos Dawes resigns.

Whereas, a vacancy exists in this Board, caused by the resignation of Rev. Thomas Dawes, of Ward 12, Convention proposed to fill vacancy.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Board of Aldermen, proposing a Convention of both Boards on Tuesday, Sept. 10th, 1861, at 4 o'clock P.M., for the purpose of filling said vacancy; and that public notice be given of the same, pursuant to law. Read, and the Order passed.

On motion of Dr. Hall, it was Additional accommodations in Hancock & Eliot Districts.

Ordered, That the Committee on School-Houses consider what additional accommodations are needed in the Hancock & Eliot Districts, and report thereon.

The Chair appointed the following Committee to nominate a candidate for the place made vacant by the resignation of Thomas Dawes, of Ward 12; viz. Messrs. Simonds and Burnham, from the Ward, and Messrs. Mirland, Rich, and Kimball, at large. Committee on Vacancy.

Thereupon it ap-

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No Quorum.
Roll
called.

found that there was no quorum present, and, agreeably to the Rules of the Board, the Roll was called, and the names of the absent members recorded, as follows: viz. Messrs. Ames, Bassett, Brown, Burnham, Burroughs, Capt. Coale, Cobb, Dana, Dunn, of Ward 8, Eaton, Eddy, Ellis, Fessenden, Fennell, Green, of Ward 10, Greene, of Ward 3, Hall, Hawkins, Hinckley, Hodges, Homans, Kimball, Edward Lothrop, of Ward 4, Lyman, Morland, Mudell, Noble, Norcross, Parsons, Randall, Read, Rob, Sawyer, Shuttleff, Sturgis, Tuttle, Upham, Whiton, Woodbury, and the President of the Board.

Thereupon the Meeting dissolved

Attest:

Barnard Capen, Secretary.

Sept. 10. 1861.

A Quarterly Meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held at the City Hall, on Tuesday, the 10th day of September, 1861, at Four o'clock P.M. The President of the Common Council in the Chair.

Present.

Absent.

The whole Board, except Messrs. Bates, of Ward 5, Burnham, Capt. Dana, Drew, of Ward 8, Eaton, Greene, of Ward 3, Hodges, Kimball, Krueger, Lothrop, of Ward 4, Lyman, Murdock, Newell, Norcross, Paine, Randall, Sawyer, Spear, Stuges, Tuxbury, Whiton, and the President of the Board.

Convention: Vacancy filled.

Agreeably to assignment a Convention was held with the Board of Aldermen, for the purpose of filling the vacancy in the School Committee, caused by the resignation of Thomas Dawes, of Ward 12. Mr. Simonds, from the Committee to nominate a candidate, presented the name of George P. French. Voted to proceed to ballot. The Chair appointed Alderman Fay, & Messrs. Simonds and Dennis, a Committee to collect the ballots, who afterwards reported the whole No. of votes to be 48: necessary to a choice 25: Geo. P. French had 46, Benjamin James had 1, and E. H. Brainard 1. Mr. French was declared elected. Thereupon, the business of the Convention having been accomplished the two Boards separated.

Geo. P. French elected.

Nominations of Teachers.

The following Teachers were nominated to the Board as being on probation: viz:

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Latin School.

Bigelow "

Elliot "

Hancock Dist.

Mayhew Sch.

" "

" District.

Mr. J. H. Fairfield, Usher in the Latin School.

Hamilla W. Whiton, Teacher of Sewing in the Bigelow School, commencing Sept. 2. 1861.

Mary A. Sargent, and Edith Adams, Assistants in the Elliot School, commencing Sept. 2. 1861.

Emily F. Spenden, in a Primary School in the Hancock District, commencing Sept. 2. 1861.

Quincy E. Dickerman, Sub Master, and Hall Grandgent, Usher, in the Mayhew School, from Sept. 2. 1861.

Annie T. Holmes, Assistant, and Maria L. Cummings, Sarah E. Copeland, Primary Teachers in the Mayhew School District, commencing Sept. 2. 1861.

Confirmations. Adams School.

Juliette J. Pierce was confirmed as an Assistant in the Adams School, having commenced June 3. 1861.

Chapman School.

Nellie M. Morse was confirmed as an Assistant in the Chapman School, from April 1. 1861.

Quarterly Reports.

The Board then attended to the Reading of the Quarterly Reports, which were afterwards accepted.

Non resident pupils in the Schools. Committee to report.

Voted, - on motion of Mr. Dennie, That the several Committees on the High Schools and Grammar School Districts report, at the next meeting of the Board, the names of children in the schools under their charge who do not reside in the city, and the reasons for their admission.

Semi-annual Report, Com. on Music.

Dr. Upham presented the Semi-annual Report of the Committee on Music, and asked leave to print, which was granted, and the Report laid on the table.

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Report of Committee on Accounts.

The Committee on Accounts respectfully Report the following, upon the orders and communications which were referred to them at the last Quarterly Meeting of the Board, viz "Ordered, That a copy of Soule's Manual of English Pronunciation and Spelling be placed in each Teachers room in the Grammar Schools, as a book of reference" The Committee report that, if the Board choose to adopt said Manual as a book of reference, the expense of introducing it will fall within the estimate of the appropriations for Schools for the current year.

Soule's Manual of Eng. Pronunciation

Communication of Th. Shewin.

The Committee report, upon the communication of Thomas Shewin Esq. Master of the English High School, in regard to the loss of a Microscope under his charge, belonging to the City of Boston, which had been loaned by him to one whom he supposed to be a teacher in the Public Schools, the following Order; That payment for the same be not required of Mr. Shewin.

Bartholomews Drawing Cards.

The Committee respectfully ask instruction in regard to an order of the Board passed at the last Quarterly Meeting, authorising the Committee on Accounts to furnish each Grammar School with such a number of sets, or such number of the set, of Bartholomew's Drawing Cards, as the Master and Committee of each School may desire.

The Committee respectfully inquire whether the Board intend to furnish all the Scholars of the Grammar Schools at the expense of the city, or only those who are unable to purchase them.

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Eaton's Primary Arithmetic.

The expense of furnishing all the scholars would amount to more than two thousand dollars.

The Committee also ask further instruction in regard to an Order of the Board, passed at the last quarterly meeting, authorizing the introduction of Eaton's Primary Arithmetic into the Primary Schools.

The Order does not state whether the District Committee, the Sub-Committee of each School, or the Teacher, shall be authorized to make the change. As the change is optional, the Committee would inquire if the City is required to furnish those pupils who already have the North American Arithmetic, with a copy of Eaton's at the expense of the city.

Respectfully submitted

(signed) John P. Alley, Chairman.

Motions, by Mr. Dennie, to lay upon the table, and by Dr. Rupell, to adopt, the Order for placing Soule's Manual of English Pronunciation in each Teacher's Room in the Grammar Schools, as a book of reference, were lost. Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Parker, the Board reconsidered the vote whereby it rejected the Order, and then voted to lay the order on the table.

The Board adopted the recommendation of the Committee in regard to the communication of Mr. Sherwin.

The Board referred that portion of the Report of the Committee relating to Bartholomew's Drawing Cards, and Eaton's Primary Arithmetic, to the Committee on Text Books.

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The Chair announced the following named gentlemen as the Committee to prepare the Annual Report of the School Committee; viz: Moses Burroughs, Sutton, Jarvis, Allen, Cobb, and Dennie, and Hudnck

Committee on Annual Report.

On motion of Mr. Riley,

Voted, That, when the Board adjourn, it adjourn for two weeks.

On motion of Mr. Ellis,

Boundary lines between Quincy & Boylston School Sections.

Ordered, That the Chairmen of the Quincy and Boylston District Committees be requested to confer, with reference to a reäarrangement of the line between the Sections of those Schools, with full power to make such a reädjustment of the same, as the interests of the respective Schools may seem to require.

Jennison transferred; Winthrop District.

Voted to confirm the transfer, by the Winthrop District Committee, of Miss Fanny E. Jennison from the Primary to the Grammar Department of the Winthrop District.

E. A. Holmes; transfer of, from Dwight to Winthrop School.

Ordered, (by Dr. Brewer) That Miss Emma A. Holmes be transferred from the Dwight to the Winthrop School, - the transfer having the mutual consent of the Committees of those Schools. Mr. Thayer moved, and it was voted, to lay the Order on the table. A subsequent motion was made, by Dr. Hall, to reconsider this vote, but, for want of a quorum, the question was not taken.

Sept. 10, 1861. Prince Napoleon. Musical Entertainment in honor.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Bates, of Ward XII, That the Standing Committee on Music be authorized to coöperate with such Committee as may be appointed for the purpose by the City Council, in making arrangements for a Musical Entertainment by the Children of the Public Schools, in honor of the Prince Napoleon, on the occasion of his expected visit to this city.

Superintendent's Semi-annual Report.

The Superintendent of Public Schools, agreeably to the Rules of the Board, presented, in print, his Third Semi-annual Report, which was referred to the Committee to prepare the Annual Report of the School Board.

A. I. Holmes' services: Hayden School.

Dr. Townsend offered the following:-

1. Ordered, That $25,00 be paid to Miss Annie I. Holmes, for services as a temporary teacher in the Hayden School, from June 19th to July 20th, inclusive.

C. L. Cummings' services: Hayden District.

2. Ordered, That $21.00 be paid to Miss Maria L. Cummings, for services as temporary teacher in the Intermediate School in Merrimac Street, from June 24th to July 20th, inclusive.

Orders adopted.

Both of the above were referred to the Committee on Claims, who subsequently reported back the Orders, with a recommendation that they be adopted.

The question was then taken on each of the two Orders, and they were adopted.

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On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

Printing for the Board.

Ordered, That the City Auditor be requested to report to this Board the amount of money expended in printing various Documents and Reports for the use, or at the request, of this Board, during the past school year.

Auditor to report as to expense of.

Mr. Simonds offered the following:

E.J. Tinkham's services.

Ordered, That the sum of $15.00 be paid to Miss Emma J. Tinkham, for seventeen days' services as teacher of a Primary School in the Lawrence District.

Lawrence District.

Refered to the Committee on Salaries.

G.W. Bail. Medal voted.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Simonds, That Mr. George W. Bail, who received a Franklin Medal at the Hawes School, in 1847, be permitted, at his own expense, to replace the medal, which has been stolen from him.

G. H. Lyman resigns.

The Chair read the resignation, as a member of the Board, of George H. Lyman, from Ward 8: whereupon, it was —

Convention proposed.

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Mayor and Aldermen, proposing a Convention of both Boards on Tuesday, Sept. 24th, 1861, at 4 o'clock P.M., for the purpose of filling said vacancy; and that public notice be given of the same, pursuant to law.

Committee on Vacancy.

The Chair appointed the following Committee to nominate a candidate for filling the above vacancy; viz. Messrs. Alley and Brewer, from the Ward, and Messrs. Morland, Rogers & Homans, at large.

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Vacancies filled in Committees

Hyde, Hayden, Eliot. High & Normal, Bigelow, Lawrence & Lincoln.

The Chair made the following appointments to fill vacancies in Committees, viz: Mr. Bates, of Ward 5, on the Wells, Hayden, and Eliot District Committee, in place of Mr. Dadmun, removed from the city; and Mr. French, of Ward 12, on the Committees on the Girls' High and Normal School, and the Bigelow, Lawrence, and Lincoln School Districts, in place of Mr. Dawes, resigned.

Pending the motion, by Dr. Hall, to reconsider the vote laying upon the table the Order to transfer Miss Holmes from the Dwight to the Winthrop School, (see page 301) it appeared that there

No Quorum.

was no quorum present; whereupon, the Roll

Roll called.

was called, and the following-named gentlemen were recorded as being absent, viz: Messrs. Brewer, Bunkam, Cafe, Crake, Dana, Dunn, of Ward 8, Dunnan, Eaton, Eddy, Green, of Ward 10, Greene, of Ward 3, Kuskins, Hodges, Hooper, Kidder, Kimball, Krueger, Lothrop, of Ward 4, Murdock, Newell, Nichols, Paine, Palmer, of Ward 3, Randall, Reed, Rofe, Sawyer, Shuttleff, Spear, Sturgis, Tuxbury, Whiton, Woodbury, and the President of the Board.

The Meeting then adjourned.

Attest:

Barnard Capen, Secretary.

A Meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held, by adjournment, at the City Hall, on Tuesday, Sept. 24th, 1861, at Four o'clock P.M.

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Present, the whole Board, except Messrs. Tufts, Eaton, Eddy, French, Garnett, Kidder, Lothrop, of Ward 6, Morland, Newell, Paine, Randall, Sawyer, Townsend, Upham, Whiton, and the President of the Board.

Members absent.

Agreeably to assignment a Convention was held with the Mayor and Aldermen, to fill a vacancy in the School Committee caused by the resignation of George H. Lyman, of Ward 8.

Convention to fill Vacancy

The Committee appointed to nominate a candidate to fill the vacancy, reported the name of Augustus A. Gould.

The Chair appointed Alderman Spinney & Messrs. Tuxbury, and Drew of Ward 9, a Committee to collect the ballots; who reported the whole No. of ballots to be 51; necessary for a choice 26. Mr. Augustus A. Gould had the whole No. of votes, and was declared chosen. Thereupon the Convention dissolved.

A. A. Gould chosen.

Rosalie G. Abbot was nominated as being on probation, as teacher of a new Primary School in the Boylston District, commencing Sept. 2, 1861.

Nomination: Boylston District.

Sept. 24. 1861 Chapman School

Miss Julia A. Colby was nominated as an Assistant, on probation, in the Chapman School, commencing Sept. 13. 1861.

Ditto.

Bathsheba A. Wilder was nominated for confirmation as Head Assistant in the Chapman School, and she was duly confirmed.

Non resident Pupils.

Agreeably to an Order passed at the last Meeting, the Committees on the High Schools and on the several Grammar School Districts reported the names of pupils in the Schools under their charge, not belonging to the City, and the reasons for their admission; excepting the Committee on the English High School, who were allowed further time. The Reports were laid on the table.

Bartholomew's Drawing Cards.

Dr. Rufell reported, from the Committee on Text Books, the following Order; Ordered, That Bartholomew's Drawing Cards be employed for instruction in Drawing, in the Grammar Schools, under the direction of the respective District Committees. Dr. Bartlett moved to amend the order so as to read, after the word Cards, as follows: "be permitted to be used," &c The amendment passed, and the order as amended was adopted.

Eaton's Primary Arithmetic.

Dr. Rufell offered the following; Ordered, That the Committee on Accounts be instructed to supply only the indigent children of the Schools with Eaton's Primary Arith-

motion, rescinding the Rules. On motion of Mr. Kimball the Order was laid upon the table. — Sept. 24. 1861.

Dr. Palmer, from the Committee on Salaries, reported in favor of the passage of the following Order, referred to that Committee: Ordered, That the sum of $15.00 be paid to Miss Emma A. Tinkham, for seventeen days' services as teacher of a Primary School in the Lawrence District. Order passed. — Report of Committee on Salaries: Miss Tinkhams Services Lawrence Dist't.

The Committee on Rules & Regulations, to whom was referred the Order relating to the changing of time for admission of scholars to the Primary Schools, so that they shall only be admitted on Monday, except in case of transfer, respectfully Report: — That, in consequence of the tender age at which admissions to these Schools are allowed, and the difficulty of observing the same strictness as to qualifications, and the same system of classification, now adopted in reference to Schools of a higher grade, your Committee recommend that no change be made in the present rules as laid down in Chap. IX. Sect. 1. Respectfully submitted. For the Committee. G. W. Tuxbury, Chairman. — Report of Com. on Rules & Regulations: Time of admission of children into Primary Schools"

Read and accepted.

On motion of Dr. Alley, — Suspension of Schools

Ordered, That the Public Schools be suspended on the 26th instant, in accordance with the

Sept. 24, 1861. proclamation of the President of the United States, appointing said day as a National Fast.

Right School Winthrop " Transfer of Kilby Rhines

On motion of Mr. Hack the Order proposing the transfer of Kilby Emma A. Rhines from the Right to the Winthrop School was taken from the table and adopted.

Colons Primary Arithmetic

On motion of Mr. Kimball,

Ordered, That a Committee be appointed to ascertain if Colons Primary Arithmetic has been introduced into the Public Schools in accordance with the Laws of the Commonwealth.

The Chair appointed as that Committee Messrs. Kimball, Bartlett, and Palmer of Ward Four.

Vacancies filled in Committees.

The Chair appointed Dr. Pickel to fill vacancies caused by the resignation of George K. Lyman, of Ward 8, in the following Committees: viz: the Committee on Text-Books, the Girls' High and Normal School, and the Bowmer School District.

Eliot and Mayhew School Sections: Boundaries of

On motion of Dr. Palmer, of Ward 3, Ordered, That the Eliot and Mayhew School District Committees have power, if they deem it expedient, to alter the boundary line between the two School Sections.

The Board then adjourned.

Attest.

Barnard Capen, Secretary.

A Quarterly Meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held at the City Hall, on Tuesday, the tenth day of December, 1861, at 4 o'clock P.M. Dec. 10. 1861.

The President of the Board in the Chair.

Present. -

The whole Board except Messrs. Dana of Ward 6, Eaton, Ellis, French, Garnett, Green, of Ward 10, Hinckley, Keyes, Kidder, Kimball, Potter of Ward 4, Manning, Murdock, Newell, Parsons, Randall, Read, Rolfe, Roys, Sawyer, Stevens, Whitten, and Woodbury. Members absent.

The following Teachers were continued, having served the usual term of probation: Teachers confirmed.

Elizabeth Lincoln, Primary, in the Adams District, commencing Sept. 2nd, 1861. Adams School.

Louisa J. Kay, Primary, in the Bowdoin District. Bowdoin Dist.

Delia F. Colby, Assistant in the Chapman School. Chapman School

Emily C. Appleton, Primary, Hancock District. Hancock Dist.

Harriet N. Hammond, Primary, Lawrence District. Lawrence "

Sarah C. Babcock, Assistant in the Lawrence School, by change from a Primary School in the same District. " School

Anne J. Duncan, Primary, in the Lyman District, commencing Sept. 2. 1861. Lyman District.

Lucretia Frothingham, Usher, and Anne C. Perkins, Assistant, in the Mayhew School. Mayhew School.

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Sarah C. Copeland, and Emma Louise Cummings Primary Teachers in the Mayhew District.

Nominations.

The following teachers were nominated for confirmation:-

Girls' High & Normal Sch.

Emma Gray, temporary teacher in the Girls' High and Normal School.

Bowdoin "

Eliza A. Fay, Assistant in the Bowdoin School, commencing Nov. 1. 1861.

Boylston Dist.

Hannah C. Gleason, Primary in the Boylston District, commencing Nov. 1. 1861.

Dwight School.

Mary F. Fay, Head Assistant, commencing Nov. 25th. Martha H. Lewis, Assistant, commencing Oct. 14th and Frances L. Worcester, Assistant, commencing Nov. 25th, all in the Dwight School.

Lawrence District.

Emma F. Fitchburg, Primary, in the Lawrence District, commencing Sept. 2nd, 1861.

Quarterly Reports.

The Board then attended to the reading of the Quarterly Reports of the several High School and Grammar School District Committees, which were afterwards accepted.

Cabinet of N. H. History for Girls' High & Normal Schools.

The following offered by Dr. Rupell, was refered to the Committee on Accounts:-

Ordered, That the Committee on the Girls' High and Normal School be authorized to expend a sum not exceeding three hundred dollars, for the Cabinet of Natural History of that School.

Ordered, on motion of Dr. Abbey, That the City Council

be requested to furnish a Ward Room for the Voters of Ward 10, in some other building, and not in the Brimmer School House, the occupancy of the basement of the School House.

Dec. 10, 1861. Ward-Room in Brimmer School House.

Mr. Stockbridge offered the following: Ordered, That a sum be appropriated by this Board, sufficient to re-bind the volumes of the Encyclopedia Britannica, in the Library of the Phillips School. Referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Phillips School. Encyclopedia Britannica.

On motion of Mr. Stockbridge,

Ordered, That the necessary arrangements be made for the accommodation of certain Primary Schools in the Phillips School District, and that the Order be referred to the Committee on School Houses. The Order was so referred.

Primary School accommodations in Phillips District.

Ordered, That the School for girls, under the charge of Miss Elizabeth Emmons, at the corner of Harrison Avenue and Genesee Street, be transferred to the Ward Room in Warren Street, as soon as that shall be vacated, and arranged for the Winthrop District (instead of in the Quincy.)

Transfer of a Primary School in Quincy, to Winthrop District.

Dr. Brewer offered the following: -

Ordered, That the Grammar School in South Street be hereafter known as the Bowditch School; and that the Committee on Public Buildings, of the City Council, be requested

New School-House in South Street named "Bowditch."

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to cause the usual tablet, with the suitable inscription, to be prepared.

Motions, by Mr. Bates & Ward 12, to refer the Order to a Committee to report names for the consideration of the Board, and by Dr. Lothrop, to substitute the name of Otis, for that of Bowditch, were lost. The Board refused to postpone the subject till the next meeting. The question was then taken upon the Order, and it was adopted.

Ward Room in Wells School-House.

On motion of Dr. Cooke, it was

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to furnish another Ward Room for Ward Five, and allow the Wells School to have unlimited use of the School House, for its original purposes of the education of youth.

Annual Report of the School Committee.

Mr. Burroughs presented the Report of the Committee to prepare the Annual Report of the School Committee, which was accepted, and, on motion of Dr. Shurtleff, the usual number of copies were ordered to be printed, for distribution.

Semi-Annual Report, Music Committee.

On motion of Dr. Upham the Semi-annual Report of the Committee on Music was taken from the table, and, on motion of Dr. Lothrop was accepted.

The Chair read the Orders appended to the Report, which are as follows: -

1. Ordered, That, hereafter, an exhibition of the musical department of the Public Schools shall be annually held on the Wednesday preceding the vacation in May, at the hour of 4 o'clock, P.M.[A] Such exhibition to be under the general direction of the Standing Committee on Music, with the addition of four members, appointed at large from this Board. Dec. 10. 1861. Annual Musical Exhibition.

2. Ordered, That the Committee on Music be instructed[B] to contract with responsible parties to furnish a piano for each of the Grammar Schools of the city,[C] at an expense of not more than —— dollars apiece; said pianos to be critically examined, tested, and approved, by the Committee, before they are accepted, and thereafter to be kept in perfect order and tune by the contractor at his own expense Pianos for the Schools.

3. Ordered, That, from and after the time the new pianos are placed in the schools, the salaries of the Music teachers shall be fixed at one hundred dollars per annum, for each of the said schools. Salaries of Music Teachers.

It was voted, on motion of Mr. Dennie, to act on the three Orders separately.

Dr. Palmer, of Ward 4 moved a amend the first of the three Orders, by inserting after the words "4 o'clock P.M., at A. as follows: "and at no other time except by permission of this Board."

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Thereupon, on motion of Mr. Spear, the Board voted to refer to the next meeting the further consideration of the Orders.

Adjournment

On motion of Dr. Hall, amended by Mr. Bates of Ward 12, Voted, That, when the Board adjourn, it be to meet next Friday, next, being the 20th instant.

Chairman asked: Of Teachers' Services

Mr. Cobb offered the following:

Ordered, That there be paid to Miss Mary J. Preston Six Dollars, for six days' services as temporary teacher in the Chapman School, from March 4th to March 11th, inclusive. Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Lawrence School. - Miss Eaton's Services.

Mr. Burnham offered the following two Orders, and they were referred to the Committee on Salaries:-

Ordered, That the sum of $14.00 be paid to Miss Maria E. Eaton, for fourteen days' services as teacher in the Lawrence School.

Lawrence District. - Miss Goodwin's Services.

Ordered, That the sum of $61.00 be paid to Miss E. W. Goodwin, for sixty one days' services as teacher in a Primary School in the Lawrence District.

Miss Lincoln's Services

Mr. Cobb offered the following:

Ordered, That Miss Elizabeth Lincoln be paid the maximum salary as a Primary Teacher, from Sept. 2nd, 1861. Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Miss Emmons's

Mr. Parker offered the following, and the same

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Salary.

...on Claims to the Committee on Claims:

Ordered, That the Salary of Miss Anna M. Desmond, deceased, be paid in full to Nov. 1. 1861.

Discharge of Pupils from School.

Mr. Dow of Ward 9. offered the following:

Ordered, That a Committee of five be appointed to take into consideration the expediency of establishing general rules for discharging pupils from the Public Schools, and report thereon to this Board.

No Quorum.

Whereupon it appeared that there was not a quorum present: the Roll was called, and the following-named gentlemen were recorded as being absent: viz. Messrs. Bartlett, Bates of Ward 5. Cop, Cobb, Dow of Ward 5. Duncan, Eaton, Eddy, Ellis, French, Gannett, Green of Ward 10. Hinckley, Holman, Hooper, Kidder, Kimball, of Ward Knapp, Leonard, Lothrop of Ward 4. Mannin, Murdock, Newell, Parsons, Randall, Read, Rich, Rolfe, Sop, Sawyer, Slack, Suggs, Townsend, Tuttle, Whiten, Woodbury, and the President of the Common Council.

Roll called.

Thereupon the Board adjourned.

Attest:

Barnard Capen,

Secretary.

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A Meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held, agreeably to adjournment, at the City Hall, on Friday, the 27th day of December, 1861. at 4 o'clock P.M.

Present.

Members absent.

The whole Board, except Messrs. Bartlett, Capt. Crate, Dana, Duncan, Eaton, Eddy, Ellis, French, Green of Ward 10. Haskins, Hinckley, Kidder, Kruger, Lothrop of Ward 4, Manning, Mecoy, Paine, Parsons, Sawyer, Townsend, and Woodbury.

"Discharge of Pupils from School." — Committee appointed.

The Chair read the Order offered by Mr. Drew of Ward 9. at the last meeting, relative to the discharge of pupils from School. The question was taken upon its passage, and it was adopted; and the Chair appointed the following Committee; viz. Messrs. Drew of Ward 9. Alley, Palmer of Ward 4. Brewer, and Hall.

Report of Com. on Salaries.

Dr. Palmer, from the Committee on Salaries, reported, for adoption, the following Orders. —

Lawrence School District. Services of Miss Eaton & Miss Goodwin

1. Ordered, That the sum of $13.00 be paid to Maria C. Eaton, for thirteen days' services as teacher in the Lawrence School.

2. Ordered, That the sum of $60.00 be paid Miss E. W. Goodwin, for sixty days' services as teacher of a Primary School in the Lawrence District.

Boylston District. — Miss Desmond's

3. Ordered, That the salary of Miss Anna M. Desmond, deceased, be paid in full, to Nov. 1. 1861; provided that the substitute who had charge of the

schedulizing Miss Desmond's sickness, and consequently, be paid to Miss Desmond's representatives. — Dec. 27. 1861. Services.

4. Ordered, That there be paid to Miss Mary J. Preston, $6.00, for six days services as temporary teacher in the Chapman School, from March 4th, to March 11th, inclusive. Which Order severally passed. — Chapman School:- Miss Preston's Services.

The following Orders were offered, and referred to the Committee on Salaries, who immediately considered the same, and reported them to the Meeting for adoption, and they were adopted:- — Report, Com. on Salaries:-

1. Ordered, (by Dr. Brewer.) That $6.00 be paid Miss Mary C. Thompson, for services in the Winthrop School from Sept. 16th to Sept. 25th. — Winthrop Sch.- Services of Miss Thompson.

2. Ordered, (by Mr. Dow of Ward 9.) That there be paid to Miss Lois T. Tisdell $14.18, being the amount due her for fourteen days' services, from Nov. 5 to Nov. 18, inclusive, - as Head Assistant in the Dwight School. — Dwight Sch.: Miss Tisdell's Services.

The Committee on Accounts, — Report, Com. on Accounts:-

to whom was referred an Order appropriating a sum "not exceeding $300.00 for the Cabinet of Natural History of the Normal School," respectfully Report: That the recent enlargement of the Normal School Building, by the addition of the building lately occupied by the Nat. History Society, has afforded for the use of the School several cases formerly used by the Society. — Cabinet of Nat. History of the Girls High & Normal School.

It is proposed to collect, from those who are

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interested in the School, such specimens shall facilitate the labors of the teachers, and cultivate, in the minds of the pupils, a taste for the study of Natural History. Several gentlemen are prepared to contribute generously towards the object, as soon as they are assured that the specimens will be well taken care of.

It is proposed to devote the sum asked for, to the furnishing of boxes, jars &c. for the necessary protection of articles which may be given. Your Committee recommend the adoption of the Orders annexed. Respectfully submitted.

John B. Alley, Chairman.

Order adopted.

Ordered, That the Committee of the Girls' High and Normal School be authorized to expend a sum not exceeding Five Hundred dollars, for the Cabinet of Natural History, of that School.

Read, and accepted, and the Order passed.

Report, Com. on Accounts; "Encyclopedia Britannica, Phillips School"

Dr. Alley, from the Committee on Accounts, reported, for adoption, the following Order:

Ordered, That a sum be appropriated by this Board, sufficient to re-bind the volumes of the Encyclopedia Britannica, in the Library of the Phillips School. The Order passed.

Report. Com. on Music.

Voted, on motion of Dr. Upham, to take up the Report of the Committee on Music.

Dr. Upham accepted the amendment to the first Order, proposed, at the last meeting, by Dr. Palmer.

The amendment was adopted. The question was then taken upon the Order as amended, and it was adopted, unanimously. Dec. 27. 1861.

The second of the Orders now then taken up. Pianos for the Schools.

The Board rejected sundry motions, after a lengthy discussion, - proposing a reference of the matter to the next Board, and to request the City Council to appropriate a sufficient sum for the purchase of the Pianos; and adopted a motion of Mr. Bates of Ward 12, to suspend the rules requiring a reference to the Committee on Accounts.

Voted, on motion of Mr. Hack, to amend the Order by inserting at "B," the following, "after publication of advertisement for proposals."

Voted, on motion of Dr. Kupfer, to amend, by inserting, at "C," the words, "and the Girls' High and Normal School."

Voted, on motion of Dr. Upham, to fill the blank with the words "Three Hundred."

Voted, on motion of Mr. Bates of Ward 12, to amend by substituting, in the last line, the word sellers for "contractor."

The question upon the Order, as amended, was then taken, and it was adopted unanimously.

The third of the Orders offered by the Committee pertaining to the Salaries of the Teachers of Music, was referred to the Committee on Salaries. Salaries of Teachers of Music.

Ordered, - on motion of Dr. Hall, That there be paid to Mr. Oliver W. Spurr, the sum of O. W. Spurr, Messenger; -

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$300.00. – the same as was paid to him last year, for his services as Messenger of this Board.

Latin School. nomination

Mr. William Webster was nominated as Usher in the Latin School.

Eliot School. Confirmation.

Mary F. E. Jaynes was confirmed as Assistant in the Eliot School.

Hancock School. Nomination.

Josephine A. Robinson was nominated as an Assistant in the Hancock School, from Jan. 25.

Wells District. Nomination.

Elizabeth L. M^c Linn was nominated as a Primary Teacher in the Wells District.

Unfinished Business.

On motion of Mr. Tuttle,

Ordered, That all matters unreported upon, and before any Committee of this Board, and all unfinished business, be referred to the School Committee for the next year.

Thanks to the President.

L. Guild, of Ward 3, offered the following:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Board be tendered to His Honor, the Mayor, for the ability with which he has discharged the duties of its presiding officer, and for his uniform kindness, courtesy, and impartiality towards its members.

The question was taken by the members rising, and the Resolve was unanimously adopted.

To which His Honor made a suitable response.

Mr. Slack offered the following: –

Voted, That the thanks of this Board are due, and are hereby tendered, to Joseph H. Bradley Esq. President of the Common Council, for the very able, efficient, and expeditious manner in which he has presided over the deliberations of this Board, in the absence of His Honor the Mayor.

Dec. 27. 1861. Thanks to J. H. Bradley, President of Common Council.

Passed unanimously. And Mr. Bradley responded in an appropriate manner.

The Board then, on motion of A. H. Dunn, of Ward 9. adjourned.

Attest.

Barnard Capen,
Secretary.

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Franklin Medals:

1861.

Medals awarded to Boys.

1861.

Latin School

Samuel Paine

William B. C. Hickey

George H. Mifflin

George A. Goddard

Charles J. Ellis

William E. Ireland.

English High.

Charles H. Perkins

George F. Lapsley

William G. Barbour

Charles Davis

Samuel C. Kimball

Charles L. Whitcomb.

Adams.

Henry H. Morse

Thomas O'Brien

J. Hiram S. Pearson

Bigelow

Henry N. D. Kemp

Edward A. Talbot

William Gallagher Jr.

Michael Kiley

Francis Dunlop

Bowdoin

~~Edward P. Baker~~

~~Wm. Brunswick~~

~~Joseph C. Hannan~~

Boylston

Dennis H. Mahoney

Patrick F. Shea

James A. Linahan

Michael J. O'Neil

Patrick J. Gorman

Cornelius A. Coleman

Cornelius J. O'Leary

Patrick J. McGuire

Brimmer.

James H. Barton

Robert H. Bennett

John C. Boyd

George L. Collyer

Henry F. Melville

Edward A. Parker

William Ratcliffe

Horace Sargeant

Horace M. Scribner

George B. Sylvester

William B. Wharton

Robert Williams

Chapman

John E. Fall

John S. White

Laurence P. McCarty

Dwight.

John C. C. Keighan

Franklin Medals: 1861.

Walter S. Whittier
Charles W. Woodward
Samuel N. Wilkins
George A. King
Lewis G. Curtis
Abbot L. Knox
John R. Shapleigh
William N. Whitcomb
James K. Shattuck
Collins N. Kelly
William F. Blanchard

Eliot

George S. Hodick
William H. Orcutt
Benjamin Levi
James B. Ayer
John H. Raycroft
James F. Foster
James A. Moran
James C. Emerson
Ezra J. Riggs
Walter S. Badger
Thomas J. Lynch
James C. Kelli
Levi S. Leach

Lawrence

Ezra G. Robinson
John Murphy
Charles H. Cole
Charles W. Burslow
Martin J. Fitzgerald

Lincoln

Algernon Draper
Lowell K. Mann

Leyman

Elijah Baker Jr.
James C. Read
James J. Donaldson
Henry H. Hall

Hughes

Charles F. Eaton
Albert F. Copeland
William S. Fearing
James F. Caine
Frederic E. Cabot
Henry F. Hutchinson
George F. Killmedge

Phillips

William R. Stevens Jr.
Henry A. Gould
Francis Lowell Wills
William B. Blakemore
F. H. Newton
John P. Reed
Alfred L. Turner Jr.
John H. Bolakes

Quincy

William E. Elder
William H. French
John D. Fogarty
William P. Horton
Charles H. Hanson

Royal B. Leighton
Leonard T. Leighton
Henry Hayden
William H. Macomber
James E. Priest
Charles H. Perry
R. Frank Robinson
William P. Safford

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Medals awarded to Girls.

1861.

Adams School

Frances H. Turner
Clara Robbins
Deborah P. Martin
Elizabeth F. Turner
Sarah A. Cook
Adelaide M. Goggins

Bigelow

Helena M. Baker
Mary L. Howard
Henrietta L. Dwyer
Lemira E. Keith
Adalena D. Baker
Emma F. Lang
Mary E. Pendleton
Adelaide Nickerson

Bowdoin

Emma J. Baker
Alice Farnsworth
Josephine E. Flanagan
Frances L. D. Greene
Isabella F. Hill
Martha P. Jameson
Rebecca R. Joslin
Lucy A. Kimball
Elizabeth E. Munroe
Adaline H. L. Pratt
Helen A. Pratt
Emma A. Rice
Emily E. Robbins
Isadora F. Whitman
Annie F. Wyman

Chapman

Grace M. Hawkins
Mary J. Butler
Ella M. Day
Harriette A. Eager
Sarah L. Thompson

Everett

Caroline A. Adams
Cornelia J. Armington
Julia M. Browne
Mary C. Brown
Frances M. Dewey
Asher E. Hardy
Margaret E. Johnson

City Medals: 1861.

Julia H. Kimball
Mary A. Kimball
Emily F. Marshall
Emma J. Parker

Franklin

Julia M. Emmons
Ervin A. Whidden
H. Augusta Cummings
M. Alice Dunbar
Lucy E. Francis
Annie J. Mathews
Estelle M. Evans
Emma F. Dunn
Margaret F. Callahan
Alice A. Whitford

Hancock.

Lucy O. Tefft Enden
Miriam F. Cutler
Harriet M. Doolittle
Emma O. Curtis
Charlotte V. Albee
Mary J. Miller
Louise E. Leon
Mary E. Forristall
Catharine L. McClennan
Catharine M. L. Harris
Veronica B. McDonough
Harriet M. Atwood
Sarah Jane Porter.

Lawrence.

R. Maria Clarke
Sarah E. Farmer
Elizabeth R. Killgour
Caroline E. Talpey
Catharine A. Crotty
Mary F. Kerns
Mary F. Smith
Cordelia F. Nancy
Jane A. Malcolm
Susan E. Kerns

Lincoln.

Mary L. Gardner.
Ada F. Tuttle
Sarah J. McKay
Fanny E. Lyon
Delia M. Knapp
Anne Slatterly
Catharine Thompson
Olivia J. Sawyer
Susan E. Pringle

Lyman

Pamelia J. Wood
Mary J. McLean

"South Street"

Bridget A. Foley
Elizabeth F. Mahoney
Bridget J. Daly
Elizabeth B. Riley
Margaret E. Fair
Frances F. Baker

City Medals: 1861.

Elizabeth A. Justice
Catharine E. O'Brien
Margaret E. Cawley
Maria J. Mahaney
Ella L. Collins

Wells

Adelaide A. Ayers
Josephine A. Hays
Mary Dale
Annie L. Darling
Amelia J. Lester
Henrietta J. Ruggles
Helen B. Walker
Evelina V. Williams

Winthrop.

Alice F. Beck
Jennie K. F. Bottcher
Emma J. Brigham
Eliza A. Burgess
Harriet M. Faut
Martha F. Gilbert
Mary A. Ingalls
Caroline F. Jackman
Caroline E. Mullin
Emma E. Peters
Emily W. Preston
Sarah B. Root
Elizabeth R. Swan
Rebecca J. Thompson
Maria E. Weeks
Adelaide M. Wood

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Organization of the Board.

A Meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the Common Council Chamber, City Hall, on Monday, the thirteenth day of January, 1862, at half past four o'clock, P. M. by order of the Mayor, for the organization of the Board for the current Municipal year. His Honor the Mayor, President of the Board, in the Chair.

Members who hold over.

The members of the former Board who retain their seats this year, are as follows:

Ward 1. George S. Hawkins
Charles O. Eaton
Thomas Capen
Benjamin Apthorp Gould

2. J. Wesley Hinckley
Seth C. Ames
J. Harvey Woodbury
Frederick Hidden

3. John Newell
Aaron D. Richardson
John N. Murdock

4. Amelius D. Parker
Robert T. Paine, Jr.
Nath'l B. Shurtleff
Ezra Palmer

5.
William E. Townsend
William Ed. Coale

Ward 6. Samuel H. Cothrop
George W. Tuttle
Robert W. Cooper
Rufus Hodges Jr.

7. Patrick Riley
Thomas W. Parsons
Le Baron Russell
Charles F. Dana

8 Rufus Ellis
Elijah C. Drew
John B. Alley

9 William Read
Joseph L. Drew
Ezra Styles Gannett

10. Daniel C. Eddy
Samuel A. Green
Otis Kimball
James Dennie

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Ward 11. Wm. H. Leonard Jr.
Matthias Rich Jr.
Henry Burroughs Jr.
Alden Speare

Ward 12. Samuel W. Bates
Lewis E. Whiton
John Duncan
Abram Simonds

Members absent.

All the foregoing members were present, except Messrs. Bates, Capt. Cobb, Lieut. Linnell, Parsons, Riley, Russell & Shuttleff.

Newly elected members

In addition to the above, the following newly elected members appeared, and took their seats:

Hon. Joseph H. Wightman, Mayor, President of the Board.

Joshua D. Ball Esq. President of the Common Council.

Ward 1. Adino B. Hall
Martin Griffin

Ward 7.
John P. Ordway

2. John Noble
Samuel T. Cobb

8. Thomas M. Brewer
Henry W. Haynes

3. Edward D. G. Palmer
Benj. T. Gould

9. William E. Vandewood
Charles R. Codman

4.

10. Enoch C. Rolfe
Salem T. Lamb

John A. Stevens

5. John T. Jarvis
David P. Kimball

11. Frederic F. Thayer
William H. Thomes

6. J. Baxter Upham
John C. Stockbridge

12. Edwin Briggs.

and Francis Brown, in place of Edw. E. Pool, resigned; Augustus A. Gould, in place of Geo. H. Gyman resigned; Jacob M. Manning, in place of Erastus B. Bigelow, resigned; Samuel H. Randall, in place of

Francis E. Parker, resigned: and Joshua G. Wilbur, in place of John W. Dadmun, resigned. Jan. 13. 1862

His Honor the Mayor, President of the Board, called the Meeting to order, and, by his request, the Rev. Dr. Emmett offered an address to the Throne of Grace.

The Chair appointed Messrs Jaxbury, Randall, & Dennie, a Committee to collect the Certificates of Election of newly elected members, who reported the names of twenty-six newly elected members present. Which Report was accepted. Certificates of Election.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Kimball of Ward 10. Dow of Ward 9, and Dennie, a Committee to collect the ballots for a Secretary of the Board: who proceeded to that duty, and reported that the whole No. of votes was 60: necessary for a choice 31; that Mr. Samuel Eaton had 60. Mr. Eaton was therefore declared chosen. On motion of Dr. Palmer of Ward 4, Voted, That the salary of the Secretary be the same as for the last year: viz. $1000.00. Secretary chosen.

The President read a communication to the Board, for the purpose of suggesting for its consideration such subjects as, from his experience, and the observations made by him during the past year, appeared to him worthy of the attention of the Board; and recommended the appointment of a Special Committee President's Communication to the Board.

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to consider and report upon the subject of such changes in the Constitution of the Board, as might be deemed expedient in the event of the City Charter being amended during the present session of the Legislature; recommending the addition to the present Standing Committees of the Board,

Committee on Printing.

of a Committee on Printing, specifying the duties which should be assigned to such Committee. Thereupon, it was

Committee appointed.

Voted, on motion of Dr. Lothrop, - That a Committee of five be appointed to consider so much of the communication submitted by the President, as relates to changes in the organization of this Board.

The Chair appointed as that Committee Messrs. Lothrop, Gould of Ward 8, Brown, Simonds, and Drew of Ward 9.

On motion of Mr. Parker, -

Committee on Printing.

Voted, That so much of the communication, read by the President, as relates to the appointment of a Standing Committee on Printing, be referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Standing Committees appointed

The Chair then appointed the Standing Committees of the Board for the ensuing year, and the same were severally approved, as follows:

Com. on Elections.

Committee on Elections: Messrs. Bates, Drew of Ward 9, Parker, Jefferson, and Griffin.

Rules & Regns.

Rules and Regulations: Messrs. Sunbury, Lothrop, Read, Townsend, and Dana

Salaries.	Messrs. Hall, Woodbury, Brown, Haynes and Simonds.	Jan. 13. 1862. Salaries.
Accounts.	Messrs. Alley, Robbe, Drew of Ward 8, Palmer of Ward 4, and Cobb.	Accounts.
Text Books.	Messrs. Lothrop, Rupell, Gould of Ward 8, Burroughs, & Palmer of Ward 4.	Text-Books
School Houses.	Messrs. Kimball, Shurtleff, Brewer, Stockbridge and Underwood.	School Houses
Music.	Messrs. Upham, Cook, Russell, Richardson, and Gould of Ward 8.	Music.
Latin School.	Messrs. Haskins, Cobb, Palmer of Ward 8, Shurtleff, Coale, Sunbury, Homans, Ellis, Alley, Read, Eddy, Thayer and Bates.	Latin School.
English High School.	Messrs. Eaton, Noble, Randall, Paine, Townsend, Lothrop, Dana, Drew, of Ward 8, Codman, Green, Dennie, Rich, and Simonds.	Eng. High School.
Girls' High and Normal School.	Messrs. Hall, Woodbury, Murdock, Palmer, of Ward 4, Jarvis, Harper, Rupell, Gould of Ward 8, Brewer, Emmett, Robbe, Burroughs & Pope.	Girls' High and Normal School.
Adams School District.	Messrs. Cobb, Kinckley, Noble, Woodbury, Innes, Kidder, and Gould of Ward 3.	District Committees.
Bigelow School District.	Messrs. Duncan, Bates, Weston, Simonds, Briggs, Pope and Manning.	
Bowditch School District.	Messrs. Brewer, Parker, Green, Riley, Parsons, Dana, Lothrop, Hayes and Underwood.	

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Standing Committees. (continued.)

Bowdoin School District. Messrs. Hooper, Thurston, Upham, Townsend, Hayes, Richardson, Paine, Dana, Manning, and Lamson.

Boylston School District. Messrs. Parker, Hemans, Russell, Riley, Parsons, Sturgis, Simonds, Dana, Conway, and Haynes.

Bunker School District. Messrs. Alley, Gould of Ward 8, Read, Kimball of Ward 10, Green, Gannett, Rolfe, Lamb, & Codman.

Chapman School District. Messrs. Noble, Woodbury, Hinckley, Ettl, Ames, Kidder, and Gould of Ward 3.

Dwight School District. Messrs. Drew of Ward 9, Thayer, Rolfe, Rich, Leonard, Eddy, Dennie, Spear, Codman, and Thomes.

Ettl School District. Messrs. Palmer of Ward 3, Hall, Hoskins, Eaton, Randall, Tefft, Stevens, Gould of Ward 3, & Kimball of Ward 5.

Everett School District. Messrs. Spear, Burroughs, Rolfe, Dennie, Drew of Ward 9, Rich, Eddy, Leonard, Thayer, and Thomes.

Franklin School District. Messrs. Burroughs, Drew of Ward 9, Thayer, Leonard, Eddy, Rich, Rolfe, Dennie, Spear, and Thomes.

Hancock School District. Messrs. Hall, Palmer of Ward 3, Eaton, Paine, Newell, Hoskins, Richardson, Capt. Tefft, Rendall, Griffin, and Stevens.

Lawrence School District. Messrs. Hayes, Duncan, Whiton, Bates, Simonds, Briggs, Pope, & Ordway. Jan. 13. 1862. Standing Committees. (continued.)

Lincoln School District. Messrs. Hayes, Duncan, Whiton, Bates, Eddy, Simonds, Ordway, Pope, and Briggs.

Lyman School District. Messrs. Ames, Kinsley, Woodbury, Noble, Cobb, Kidder, and Fessenden.

Mayhew School District. Messrs. Townsend, Kimans, Parker, Murdock, Crate, Brown, & Willard.

Phillips School District. Messrs. Stockbridge, Upham, Lothrop, Sturgis, Tuxbury, Brown, Jarvis, and Willard.

Quincy School District. Messrs. Ellis, Riley, Brewer, Drew of Ward 8, Osborne, Dennie, Henderson, Haynes, & Fanning.

Wells School District. Messrs. Stockbridge, Randall, Crate, Murdock, Jarvis, Kimball of Ward 5, Gould of Ward 3, Brown, and Willard.

Winthrop School District. Messrs. Brewer, Riley, Drew of Ward 8, Rolfe, Grant, Gannett, Kimball of Ward 10, Fanning, Haynes, & Dennie.

Voted, on motion of Dr. Hall, That the Rules and Regulations of the last Board be adopted, until otherwise ordered. Rules and Regulations adopted.

On motion of Dr. Riley, — Ordered, That the Committee on Rules and Regu- Amendments

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tations be requested to consider the expediency of amending Chap. IV. Sect. II by inserting after the word appointment, in the third line, the following: "Seven members shall constitute a quorum."

Also, of amending Chap. V. Sect. 2nd, so that the 1st Masters and Mistresses of the Latin, and English High Schools shall be assigned a suitable rank.

Also, of amending Chap. V. Sect. 3, so that a certain number of members shall constitute the Committee for the examination of candidates, in case of a vacancy in the Masterships of the Latin, English High, and Girls' High and Normal Schools.

Also, of amending Chap. VII. by transposing Sects 3, and 4, of Chap. VII. to said Chapter. Order passed.

One Session in Girls' Schools.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Dennis, That the Committee on Rules and Regulations consider the expediency of having "one session" in the Girls' Grammar Schools during the Winter months.

Resignation of J. W. Bates.

The Chair laid the resignation of Mr. Samuel W. Bates, of Ward 12, as a member of this Board.

Vacancy.

Thereupon, Mr. Duncan offered the following:-

Whereas, a vacancy exists in this Board, caused by the resignation of Samuel W. Bates, of Ward Twelve,

Convention proposed.

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Board of Aldermen, proposing a Convention of both Boards, on Tuesday, Jan. 28th, 1862, at 4 o'clock P.M. for the purpose of filling said vacancy; and that public notice be given of the same, pursuant to law.

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Voted, and the Chair appointed the following Committee to nominate a candidate to fill the vacancy: viz. Messrs. Duncan, and Simonds, from the Ward, and Messrs. Leonard, Dennie and Spear, at large.

Committee appointed.

On motion of Mr. Parker the Certificates of Election were referred to the Committee on Elections.

Certificates of Election

Mr. Randall offered the following;

Ordered, That a Committee of four be appointed by the Chair, to cooperate with the Standing Committee on Music, in the arrangement of all matters connected with the next Exhibition of the Musical Department of the Public Schools.

Musical Exhibition.

On motion of Dr. Palmer, Voted to lay the Order on the table.

On motion of Dr. Lothrop,

Changes in Text Books: Abrogation of Law respecting.

Ordered, That the President of the Board, the Superintendent of Public Schools, and the Committee on Text Books, be a Special Committee, authorized, if they shall deem it expedient, to apply to the Legislature for such an abrogation of the law respecting changes in Text Books as will enable the School Committee of the City of Boston to make changes in Text Books on the recommendation of a majority of its Sub Committee on Text Books, and its adoption by a vote of a majority of the School Committee.

Mr. Tuxbury offered the following;

Ordered, That the Committee on Rules and Regu-

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Sections be authorized to cause a new edition of the Rules and Regulations to be printed, for the use of the members of the Board. Laid on the table.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Drew of Ward 9, That, when this meeting adjourn, it be to the 28th inst. at 4 o'clock P.M.

Unfinished business

Mr. Read offered the following; —

Ordered, That all unfinished business which was referred to this Board by the Committee of the last year, be referred to the corresponding Committees of the present Board; and that the President be requested to fill all vacancies which may exist in any Special Committees having the charge of unfinished business.

The Chair ruled that Special Committees of last year had ceased to exist, and that a reference to new Committees, of the matters alluded to, would be necessary.

The Order was then amended by striking out the last clause, and was then passed.

Discharge of pupils from School

Committee appointed.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Drew of Ward 9, That a Committee be appointed to take into consideration the adoption of some uniform rule of discharging pupils from the Public Schools. The Chair appointed on that Committee, Messrs. Drew of Ward 9, Brewer, Palmer of Ward 4, Hall, and Alley.

The Board then adjourned.

Attest:

Edward Capen, Secretary.

A Meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held this day by adjournment, at the City Hall, on Tuesday, the 28th day of January, 1862, at 7 o'clock P.M. The President of the Board in the Chair. Jan 28. 1862.

Present, the whole Board, except Messrs. Hunt, Brown, Briggs, Capt. Eaton, Fennett, Green, Griffin, Hinckley, Hooper, Kidder, Kimball of Ward Ten, Murdock, Newell, Paine, Parsons, Read, Riley, Roper, Stockbridge, Stuggis, Townsend, Upham, Whiton, Wilkins and Wm. Story. Members absent.

The Chair read the concurrence of the Board of Aldermen in the proposition for a Convention of the two Boards for the purpose of filling the vacancy in the School Committee, caused by the resignation of Mr. Bates of Ward XII. Thereupon the Convention was held. Convention to fill a vacancy.

Mr. Duncan, from the Committee appointed to prepare a candidate for filling the vacancy, reported the name of Edward H. Brainard. E. H. Brainard chosen.

The Chair appointed a Committee composed of Alderman E. A. Richards, and Messrs. Randall and Haynes, to collect the ballots; which Committee reported that the whole No. of votes was 56; necessary for a choice 29; and that Mr. Edward H. Brainard had 55, and there was one blank. Mr. Brainard was accordingly declared elected. The business for which the Convention was held having been accomplished, the two Boards separated.

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Vacancies in Committees, filled.

The Chair appointed Mr. Rhoades on the Committee on Elections, and the Committees on the Eighth, Lawrence, and Lincoln Joint Districts; and Mr. Duncan on the Latin Joint Committee, to fill the vacancies caused by the resignation of Mr. Bates: also Mr. Griffin of Mud One, on the Third Joint District Committee.

Report of Committee on Elections on the Certificates of newly elected members.

The Committee on Elections, to whom were referred certain Certificates of Election, have examined the same, and Report: That they find the several Certificates to be in due form, and that the following named gentlemen are elected for the respective terms set against their names:-

Ward 1. Adin B. Hall
Martin Griffin.
Ward 2. Samuel T. Cobb
John Noble
Ward 3. Edw. L. G. Palmer
Benj. T. Gould
Ward 4. John A. Stevens
Ward 5. John F. Jarvis
David P. Kimball
Ward 6. J. Baxter Upham
John C. Hockbridge
Samuel H. Randall, for two years, elected in place of Francis E. Parker, resigned, of Ward 13. Joshua G. Wilbur, for one year, in place of John W. Dadmun, resigned; and Francis Brown, for one year, in
Ward 7. Charles D. Homans
John P. Ordway
Ward 8. Thomas M. Brewer
Henry W. Haynes
Ward 9. Charles R. Codman
William E. Underwood
Ward 10. Enoch C. Rolfe
Salem T. Lamb
Ward 11. William H. Thomes.
Frederic T. Thayer
Ward 12. Edwin Briggs.
(All the above for two years.

place of Edward C. Pond, assigned. Ward 5. Augustus A. Gould, for two years, in place of Geo. H. Lyman, of Ward 8, resigned; and Jacob H. Manning, for one year, in place of Charles B. Bigelow, resigned, of Ward 9. Jan. 28, 1862.

The Committee have also had presented to them the Certificate of John A. Lawson, from Ward 4, for three years, which is in due form.

They also received a communication from Mr. Benjamin Pope, of Ward XII. stating that his certificate was lost. He was requested to furnish a new certificate, which he has done, and it is in the hands of the Committee. It is in due form, and gives evidence that he is elected for the term of three years.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Joseph F. Drew.

Read, and accepted. Report continued.

Mr. Simonds read a statement relative to the interruption of the studies and exercises of the Bigelow School, caused by the noise from the street; together with a letter from the Masters of the School, upon the same subject, and submitted the following Order: —

Ordered, That the letter of the Masters of the Bigelow School, respecting the evils resulting to said school from the noise caused by the raking of vehicles over the pavements in front of the School-house, with a copy of the foregoing report, be transmitted to the Board of Aldermen; Bigelow School: disturbance of, by noise from the street.

Jan. 28. 1862. with a respectful request that suitable measures be taken to remedy the evils, of which complaint is made. The Order passed.

Bowditch School Teachers. Miss E. E. G. Badger was nominated as Head Assistant in the Bowditch School, commencing Jan. 1st.

Winthrop School Teachers. Miss Julia F. Jillson was nominated on probation in the Winthrop District.

Re-distribution of Primary Schools in Bowditch, Boylston, Rimmer Quincy and Winthrop Districts. Ordered, - on motion of Mr. Haynes, - That a Special Committee, consisting of the Chairmen of the Bowditch, Boylston, Rimmer, Quincy, and Winthrop District Committees, be appointed to consider and report upon the expediency of re-distribution of the Primary Schools under the charge of these Committees, among their several districts.

The Board then adjourned.

Attest:

Barnard Capen, Secretary.

A Quarterly Meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held at the City Hall, on Tuesday, the eleventh day of March, 1862, at 4 o'clock P.M. The President of the Board in the Chair. March 11. 1862.

Present. The whole Board, except Messrs. Alley, Eaton, Dana, Dunn, of Ward 8, Evans, Griffin, Haskins, Kimball, of Ward 5, Lamb, Lamson, Ordway, Paine, Parsons, Pope, Read, Riley, Rolfe, Rupell, Spear, Sturgis, Upham, Wendell, and the President of the Common Council. Members absent.

The following Teachers, having served the usual term of probation, were confirmed: viz, — — Confirmations

Eliza A. Fay, Assistant in the Bowdoin School. Bowdoin Sch.
Mary J. Rose, Head Assistant, and Frances L. Wes- Dwight "
ton, Assistant in the Dwight School.
Frances R. Joslyn, Assistant in the Everett, & Everett "
Josephine M. Robertson, Assistant in the Han- Hancock "
cock School.

The following Teachers were nominated as being on probation: viz, — — Nominations of Teachers.
Emeline W. Goodwin, Assistant in the Bigelow Bigelow Sch.
School, commencing March 7th, 1862.
Mary M. J. Foley, Assistant in the Bowditch Bowditch "
School, commencing March 3rd.
Josephine M. Hanna, commencing Jan'y 2nd. Boylston "
and Susan P. Leeds, commencing March 3rd, As-
sistants in the Boylston School.
Caroline D. Le Row, Assistant in the Brimmer School, Brimmer "
commencing March 11th.

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Eliza A. Allen, commencing Jan. 20th and Jane E. Bunton, commencing March 3d, Assistants in the Dwight School.

Dwight Sch.

Everett "

Matilda E. Rich, Assistant in the Everett School, commencing March 3d.

Everett Dist.

Mary I. Bunton, Primary in the Everett District, commencing Oct. 14. 1861.

Lincoln Sch.

Ellen R. Tyman, Assistant in the Lincoln School, commencing March 4th.

Mayhew Sch.

Lucy Blanchard, and Caroline F. Reed, in the Mayhew District, commencing March 3d.

Quincy "

Mary Jane Chandler, Assistant in the Quincy School, commencing March 7th.

Winthrop Dist.

Mary L. Richards, Primary in the Winthrop District, commencing March 3d.

Winthrop Dist: Transfer of Teachers.

Dr. Brewer announced the transfer, by the Winthrop District Committee, of Elizabeth J. Simmons, and Julia A. Pellison, from Primary Schools in that District, to the Winthrop School.

Quarterly Reports.

The Board then attended to the reading of the Quarterly Reports: which were afterwards accepted.

Eliot and Mayhew School Sections: Boundary Lines.

Dr. Townsend submitted, for the approval of the Board, the following Order, as the result of the joint action of the Committees on the Eliot & Mayhew School Districts: Ordered, That the line of Wood One be the boundary line between the Eliot and the Mayhew School Sections. Order adopted.

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Dr. Townsend submitted the following, and asked a suspension of the Rules, to allow immediate action thereon. The Rules were suspended, and action was had upon the Order, which passed;

Mayhew Dist: School for Special Instruction.

Ordered, That another School for Special Instruction be established in the Mayhew School District.

Dr. Hall submitted the following Order, and asked a suspension of the Rules, for immediate action. The Rules were suspended, and the Order was adopted, as follows: —

Hancock Dist: School for Special Instruction.

Ordered, That the Hancock District Committee have leave to establish an additional School for Special Instruction.

On motion of Dr. Hall, —

Hancock & Eliot Districts: Additional School Accommodations.

Ordered, That the Committee on School Houses consider and report what additional School accommodations are needed in the Hancock and Eliot School Districts.

Brimmer Dist; New Primary Building.

Ordered, — on motion of Dr. Gould, — That the Committee on School Houses consider and report on the expediency of a new building for Primary Schools in the Brimmer School District.

Bigelow School House: Division of the Hall.

Mr. Simonds offered the following;

Ordered, That the Committee on School Houses consider the expediency of so dividing the large Hall in the upper story of the Bigelow School House, as to provide rooms for the accommodation of two

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Clerkes or Divisions of said School; with full powers to apply to the proper authorities for such alteration as early as possible. Refered to the Committee on School Houses.

School Accommodations in the Latin School-House, & in the Winthrop Phillips Mayhew & Bowditch Districts.

Orders were offered in connection with the Quarterly Reports of the Committees on the Latin School, and the Winthrop, Phillips, Mayhew, and Bowditch School Districts, asking for further accommodations for the Schools under their charge; which were refered to the Committee on School Houses.

Mr. Kimball, Chairman of the Committee on School Houses, reported that the attention of the Committee had been previously called to the several subjects, and that they were prepared to report upon the same. He then submitted the following Reports: —

Report of Committee on School-Houses.

Latin School Accommodations.

1. The Committee on School Houses, to whom was refered the Order offered by the Committee on the Latin School, in relation to increased accommodations, Report; That they have given attention to the subject, and find that the present house was erected in the year 1844, when it was thought that four rooms for the usual exercises of the School, and a hall for public occasions, would meet the wants of the School. These rooms afforded sufficient accommodations for the School when the number of its pupils was one hundred and seventeen. Shortly after that

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time, however, it became necessary to use the hall for the occupancy of one of the classes, although it was not intended, nor well fitted for that purpose. Subsequently a small ante-room was used for recitations only, the pupils under the teacher's charge being united, with great loss in their progress, and with great inconvenience, in the rooms of other teachers. Finally, when the ante-rooms would no longer suffice, a room in the basement was fitted up for a class. The objections to this last arrangement were so great, on account of the injury accruing to the health of the pupils, that, the present year, the Committee have been obliged to have recourse to the undesirable step of providing accommodations for two classes outside of the building, - the school having increased to the number of two hundred and seventy, being more than twice the number of pupils connected with the School in March, 1852.

Report continued.

In view of the above facts the Committee recommend the passage of the Order submitted by the Committee on the Latin School.

For the Committee. Otis Kimball, Chairman

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to take such action as may be deemed best, for providing ample accommodations for the Latin School, of a permanent, as well as of a convenient and healthy character.

Order passed.

Read, accepted, and the Order adopted.

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Report of Com. on School Houses. Winthrop School Accommodations

2. The Committee on School Houses, to whom was referred the application of the Wintho. District Committee for more accommodations for the Winthrop School, ask leave to report.

The attention of your Committee has been previously called to this subject, and they have taken pains to possess themselves of the facts relative to this want.

The need of further grammar school accommodations in this District is one of too decided magnitude to be disregarded, and one which, we are taught by past experience, will continue to increase with the growth of the city.

The increase of pupils in this School has not varied essentially since its first organization, eight years since, from about six per cent, or about one full class per annum. The School now contains pupils enough to form three full classes more than can be contained in the School-house. This surplus will be not only permanent, but will continue to increase. It should therefore be met by permanent provisions for the accommodation of all its pupils, in faithful obedience to the requirements of law, equal for all.

The present provision for their temporary arrangement are inadequate and unequal, and should be continued no longer than is absolutely unavoidable. The Winthrop Grammar School Section is territorially one of the smallest and most compact in the city, and is already densely populated, except only on its western borders. It can-

not be relieved on the East by planting within any further portion, inasmuch as the Bowditch School is already overflowing. On the North is the Bowdoin School, too remote from its Northern line, even if it were not already sufficiently filled by its own District. On the South is the Franklin School, in the centre of a large and growing district, and the Northern line of which is already twice as near to the Winthrop as to its own School-house.

At the average rate of increase of Grammar School pupils, it may be safely estimated that it will be several years before this increase will be so large in this single district as to require the construction of a new Grammar School of the full size. It would therefore appear to your Committee to be true economy, on the part of the city, to avail itself of the fortunate circumstance which places it within its immediate power, to meet the wants of meeting, permanently, these wants, with the least possible expenditure. On the South side of the Winthrop lot, and immediately adjoining it, the City is the owner of an unoccupied estate, large enough for the construction thereupon of a building capable of containing four full sized class-rooms, and of accommodating at least 250 pupils. No expenditures will be required for yard-room, out-buildings, light, or air; - the Winthrop yard already provides all these. This would meet the present wants, and amply provide for some years yet to come; - until the combined wants of other sections

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shall make other arrangements necessary.

The excellent condition of the Winthrop School when it numbered more than a thousand pupils, and labored under the disadvantages of comparatively distant branches, would seem to indicate that a similar number, under more favorable circumstances, would not be beyond its abilities successfully to meet. Such an arrangement would, certainly, be the most economical, and, under present circumstances, the most feasible. The Committee therefore recommend the adoption of the following Order. For the Committee.

Otis Kimball, Chairman.

Order passed.

Ordered, That a communication be sent to the City Council, stating the need of additional Grammar School accommodations in the Winthrop School District, and requesting that suitable provisions may be made for three or more additional Class-Rooms, on the estate belonging to the City, immediately adjoining the lot now occupied by the Winthrop School, and referred to in the accompanying Report. Read, accepted, and the Order passed.

Report of Committee on School Houses: Primary School Accommodations in Phillips Dist.

3. The Committee on School Houses, to whom was referred the Order relative to further accommodations for the Phillips District Primary Schools, Report. The occupancy of the new Phillips School House leaves the old School House vacant, with the exception of a single room, used for a

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Primary School. Several of the Grammar Classes occupying rooms outside of the old School House, have been removed to the new building. Considerable property belonging to the City, in the form of School-houses, is therefore, now lying idle. The Phillips School Committee, after a careful examination ~~examination~~ of the subject, have come to the conclusion that it is desirable to remove several Primary Schools from their present location, to the old School House. To effect this change it will be necessary to make some alterations in the building. The matter having been presented to the Committee on School-Houses, they recommend the passage of the following Order. For the Committee,

Otis Kimball, Chairman.

Order passed.

Ordered, That such alterations be made in the "Old Phillips" School-house as may be deemed necessary for the accommodation of such Primary Schools as the Committee may wish to place there; and that this Order be referred to the City Council.

Read, accepted, and the Order passed.

Report of Com. on School Houses, on Yard-Room &c. for the Bowditch School.

4. The Committee on School Houses have had under consideration the subject of additional yard-room, and a new passage, for the Bowditch School, and beg leave to Report:-

The original plan for the construction of this School House involved the purchase of two estates in its rear, and adjoining another estate belonging to the city, improved by the Water Board

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final pipe-yard. In consequence of said assignment as to the terms of sale, the purchase was not consummated, although both parties interested, and for the joint-wants, both of the School and those of the Water Board, obtain possession, their acquisition was regarded as highly desirable. It is now understood that, if the City authorities of Lowell desire these estates for the purposes already stated, they can be obtained on the most favorable terms. In this event, by their purchase, important improvements may be made in the yard-room and in the convenience of the Pawtucket School House, without materially affecting the value of the estate. While we would not recommend, in the present condition of public affairs, any large expenditures that may be deferred, yet, if, as your Committee are informed, an important purchase may be made, desirable for other important purposes, and incidentally yielding to the School the advantages desired, at no additional expense, such an arrangement would appear to your Committee highly desirable. They, therefore, recommend that the Order referred to them be transmitted to the City Council, - leaving to their consideration the question how far the present purchase of these estates may be required for other purposes.

For the Committee, Otis Kimball, Chairman.

Read, and accepted, and the following Order passed: -

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to take such measures as to them may seem best, to secure a rear entrance to the Bowditch School House, & to increase the depth of the yard attached thereto — March 11. 1862. Order passed.

The Committee on School Houses, having considered the wants of the Mayhew School District, recommend the passage of the following Order. For the Committee, Otis Kimball, Chairman. — Mayhew School District: New Primary School House.

Ordered, That a communication be sent to the City Council, requesting them to purchase, for the Mayhew School District, the lot in the rear of the School House, and erect a Primary School House thereon. The Order passed. — Order passed.

Mr. Ellis offered the following Order, which was passed under a suspension of the Rules: — Ordered, That Miss E. Maria Simonds be advanced to the post of Head Assistant in the Quincy School with the usual salary; the appointment to take effect from the present date. — Quincy School: Miss E. M. Simonds made Head Assistant.

...ded, — on motion of Dr. Hall, — That, when the Board adjourn, it be for one week. — Adjournment.

Mr. Tuttle commenced the reading of a Report of the Committee on Rules and Regulations; but, a question arising as to whether a quorum of the Board was present, the Roll was called. — Roll called.

March 11. 1862. when it appeared that the following named gentlemen were absent: viz. Messrs. Alley, Ames, Ayer, Coats, Dana, Dana, of Mad's, Duncan, Eddy, Evans, Griffin, Hastings, Jarvis, Kimball of Mad's, Lane, Lamson, Leonard, Manning, Murdock, Newell, Osburn, Pond, Parsons, Pope, Read, Riley, Rogers, Rupert, Spear, Sturgis, Underwood, Upham, Walton, Wetherby, the President, the Board, and the President of the Common Council.

Absent Members.

Rev. Dr. Lothrop, being in the Chair, having been called there by the President, on his retiring from the meeting, declared that a quorum was present. Thereupon, on motion of Mr. Brown, the Meeting adjourned.

Attest:

Barnard Capen, Secretary.

A Meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held by adjournment, at the City Hall, on Tuesday, March 18th, 1862, at 4 o'clock P.M. Rev. Dr. Lothrop, in the absence of the President, in the Chair. March 18. 1862.

Present.

The whole Board, except Messrs. Alley, Brewer, Briggs, Cass, Cook, Drew of Ward 8, Duncan, Eaton, Ellis, Gould of Ward 8, Gould of Ward 3, Green, Griffin, Hinckley, Homans, Kidder, Mundock, Newell, Ordway, Paine, Pope, Riley, Rolfe, Rupell, Hopkins, and the President of the Board. Absent Members.

The Chair stated that the first business in order was the unfinished business of the last meeting, viz. the Report of the Committee on Rules and Regulations, - which Mr. Lothrop then proceeded to read.

The Committee on Rules and Regulations, having taken into consideration the several matters referred to them at the last Quarterly Meeting of this Board, respectfully report thereon, as follows: — Report of Comtee on Rules & Regulations.

1. As to the propriety of amending Chap. IV. Sect. II, of the Rules, so that four members of the several District Committees shall constitute a quorum for doing business. This Committee believe that such a change would have a tendency to cause more negligence on the part of the members of the Committees, in attending to their duties, and Quorum of District Committees

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would be encouraging a bad precedent, by allowing small minorities to exert powers and perform acts which need the sanction of at least a majority, in order to inspire a proper degree of confidence in their wisdom. The Committee, therefore, recommend that no change should be made.

Rank of Teachers in Latin and Eng. High Schools.

2. As to the assignment of a suitable rank to the Sub Masters and Ushers of the Latin and English High Schools. The Committee consider that this rank is already sufficiently assigned in the Rules, Chap. V. Sect. 2. If it be thought that, in consideration of their being entitled to higher salaries than the Sub Masters and Ushers of the Grammar Schools, their rank should therefore be increased, the Committee see no reason why the same rule might not as well apply to the Masters of the High Schools, whose salaries exceed those of the Grammar Masters. The Committee think the proposed change would have a tendency to create unnecessary if not invidious distinctions; and they therefore report that, in their judgement, no change is necessary.

Examining Committee for Master of a High School

3. As to the number who shall constitute the Committee for the examination of candidates for a mastership in either of the High Schools:

The present Rules, Chap. V. Sect. 5, require that the Committees of the three High Schools shall jointly constitute such examining Committee, and, inasmuch as these Committees, as recently provided, are composed of thirteen members each, the whole Examining Com-

mittee would consist of thirty nine members, - twenty of whom would constitute a quorum for business. If this Committee were expected to meet often, & make frequent changes, there would seem to be a propriety in reducing the number required to be present; but, when we consider that such a Committee is not likely to be called to act often, and has not, in fact, been called together for some six or seven years past; - and, considering, furthermore, the importance and great responsibility of making such an election when the same may be required, and also the general power which all large Committees may exercise by acting on many less important details by the intervention of Sub Committees, your Committee do not see the necessity of making any alteration in the present rule, and therefore report that, in their judgment, no change is expedient.

4. The Committee were also desired to take into consideration the expediency of providing that there should be only one session in the Grammar Schools for Girls, during the Winter months.

One session for Girls, in Winter.

There are undoubtedly some days in Winter when it might be expedient to close the Schools with one session only, but your Committee believe that such a course would not be advisable as a general rule. Our usual climate in Boston is not so severe as to render it impracticable, for girls, even, to get so far from home as is required to attend the Grammar Schools; and, with the

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privilege now allowed by the 3d Sect. of Chap. VIII, of dismissing the afternoon session at four o'clock during the severest part of the Winter, your Committee think that no unnecessary hardship is imposed by the rules as they now stand. They therefore recommend that no change be made.

Duties of the Secretary.

5. Another subject referred to your Committee relates to a transfer of duties from the Secretary of the Board as laid down in Chap. VII. Sects. 3 & 4.

There can be no doubt that the duties of the Secretary have been so increased, practically, as to render it somewhat laborious for him to comply, fully, with all the requirements of the present rules; still, a portion of the duties proposed to be transferred, your Committee think, are rendered necessary by the Statutes of the Commonwealth. By the 11th section of the 40th Chapter of the General Statutes, it is provided that, when the School Committee of a city or town is not less than three in number, the Chairman and Secretary thereof may, in behalf of the Committee, sign the annual School Returns, and the Certificate to be sent to the Secretary of the Board of Education. As this Return is to be made under oath, it is presumed that he is also to make oath to such Returns, in place of the School Committee. This would require the necessity of his making the necessary examination as to their accuracy. It therefore seems appropriate, and your Committee recommend that this 3d Section remain without change.

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The duties required by the 4th Section (of Chap. VII.) might, as your Committee think, be more appropriately performed by the Superintendent. The Secretary has, at present, no provision made for his communication with the School Committee, in any way likely to render such communication useful, while the Superintendent, on the other hand, is already required to make a semi-annual Report to this Board, in March and September, and the "abstract" required by this Section can very easily be embraced in his Reports. We therefore recommend that Sect. 4, of Chap. VII, be stricken out from said Chapter, and that Chap. VII. Sect. 7 be amended by adding after the word advisable, in the third line from the bottom, the following:- "He shall also embrace in his Reports an abstract of the Semi-annual Returns of the Public Schools, and a schedule, showing the number of Teachers then employed in the Schools" All of which is respectfully submitted. For the Committee.

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Duties of the Superintendent of Schools.

Amendment of Rules & Regulations.

G. W. Tuxbury, Chairman.

Read, and accepted, and the recommendation embraced in the last paragraph of the Report, was adopted.

The Committee to whom was referred the Order (Jan. 13th) relating to the discharge of pupils from School, having duly considered the subject, Report:- At the first meeting of this Committee, it was voted to address a note to the Masters, inquiring if they had any rule for

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the discharge of pupils and, if so, what cases
them considered the subject of sufficient im-
portance to elicit an answer; and they agree upon
one fact, - the want of uniformity; and, from
the answers, your Committee could readily appre-
ciate the want, for no two schools seemed to have
the same rules, and the school having the high-
est percentage of attendance had no regular rule.

If the statistics required of the teachers for the
purpose of ascertaining of ascertaining the Ave-
rage Attendance, are of any worth, their truth-
fulness must add to their value. At the begin-
ning we must first ascertain who are scholars: -
those, only, who attend every day, or those who
intend to educate themselves in the schools.

The Committee agree upon the latter construction,
and that, governed by proper rules, will, in a great
measure, remedy the existing difficulty; for it is at
this point that the greatest difference exists: some
teachers discharging a pupil for sickness, in three
days, and others keeping them on the Record for
months. To be sure, a pupil suffers no loss from
having his name taken from the roll: but he is
no longer scholar, for, if he is not a scholar, he must
be reckoned as one of those who are growing up
among us without any education, and under the
belief that he is a scholar until he leaves school
for some other cause than for sickness.

The Committee offer for the consideration of the
Board the following Rules: -

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1. No scholar shall be discharged from school on account of sickness, unless by request of his parents.

2. Any scholar who is absent for one week, from any other cause than for sickness, shall have his name stricken from the roll immediately; but such pupil shall be re-admitted on application.

3. Any teacher who is satisfied that a scholar does not intend to return to school may take his or her name from the roll.

4. No scholar shall be counted as present who shall report themselves at the beginning of the session and then get excused; but pupils shall not be counted as absent who, for reason of ill health, are permitted by the District Committee to attend school during a part, only, of the day.

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For the Committee, Joseph L. Dean.

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Read, the Report accepted, and the propositions referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations, on motion of Mr. Parker.

Dr. Lothrop read the Report of the Special Committee, to whom was referred so much of the Address of the President of this Board as relates to changes in its organization.

The Committee submitted the following Resolutions to the consideration of the Board and recommended their adoption:-

Report of Committee on the President's Communication.

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Resolutions.

1. Resolved. That the School Committee gratefully acknowledge the wisdom and the valuable service of His Honor the Mayor, the President of the Board, in calling the attention of the Board to the difficulties in the practical working of the present organization of the School Committee, and to the consideration of the expediency of changes in that organization, but deem it inexpedient to take any further action thereon.

2. Resolved, That the School Committee respectfully request the President, in the appointment of the Standing and District Committees, to endeavor to make, as far as practicable, an equal division of the amount of work that will devolve upon each member.

3. Resolved, That the School Committee recommend and urge upon each member of the Board to be assiduous in the faithful discharge of all the duties devolving upon him as a member of the different Standing or District Committees upon which he is appointed.

On motion of Dr. Townsend the Report was accepted, and the Resolutions were adopted.

Report to be printed.

On motion of Dr. Hooper, one hundred copies of the Report were ordered to be printed for the use of the Board.

Report of Com^ee on Rules and Regulations.

The Committee on Rules and Regulations, having taken into consideration the propriety of appointing a Standing Committee on Printing, respectfully Report.-

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Printing.

That, at present there exists a want of system and method, to some extent, in matters relating to the printing of documents, and other printed matter, specially authorized by this Board, or necessary for the use and convenience of the Schools under its charge. No Committee at present has charge of the subject, and, of course, no adequate responsibility is felt by any one. It therefore practically happens that, not only Committees, but, in some instances, individuals, are accustomed to order such printing as may seem to them necessary. It would not, therefore, be surprising if some abuses should creep into such a system, or, rather, want of system. It is, nevertheless, a matter of some difficulty, as your Committee have found, to define the duties of such a Committee, if appointed; but it is believed that an approximation can be made, which can, if necessary, be, from time to time, modified and improved, as occasion may require.

Amendment of Rules & Regulations.

Your Committee recommend that the Rules should be modified by making the following additions: to wit. — 1. By inserting after the words "On Music," in Chap. 1, Sec. 2, the words and figure, "6. on Printing."

2. By adding, after the 9th Section, of Chap. IV, a new Section to read as follows: viz. -

"Sect. 10. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Printing to exercise a general supervision over all Printing which may be required by the Board

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or any of the Schools under its charge: and no bill for printing, of any kind whatever supplied, either to the Board, or to the Public Schools, shall be paid without the Signature of the Chairman of this Committee indorsed. It shall also be their duty to submit to this Board, at the Quarterly Meeting in March, a detailed account of their expenditures for the year previous.

The matter of Stationery in the Public Schools, which now seems to be supplied without sufficient caution on the part of any Committee of this Board, has also come to the observation of this Committee: and they recommend that Sect. 3. Chap. IV. which defines the duties of the Committee on Accounts, be amended by inserting, after the words "purchase" in the seventh line, the words "all Stationery."

All which is respectfully submitted.

For the Committee G. W. Tuxbury. Chairman.

Read, and accepted, and the several recommendations were adopted.

Orders for paying for Temporary Services:-

S. F. Randall.

The following Orders were referred to the Committee on Salaries:-

Ordered, That Four Dollars be paid to Miss Sarah F. Randall, for services as teaching teacher in a Primary School in the Eighth District, on the 13th, 14th, 15th, 17th, & 18th of March, 1862

Miss E. R. Wyman.

Ordered, That the sum of Two Dollars be paid to Miss Ellen R. Wyman, for services as Teacher of a Primary School in the Lincoln District, March 3d & 4th

Ordered, That the sum of Nine Dollars be paid March 18. 1862 to Miss Sarah E. Vanney, for services as Teacher of a Primary School in the Lincoln District, from March 4th to March 13th. — Sarah E. Vanney.

Ordered, That there be paid to Annie Kimball - Annie Kimball. Two & a Dollars: to Miss M. M. Clapp Six Dollars: and to Miss Caroline Blanchard the sum of Six Dollars all for temporary services in charge of the Bowdoin School. — M. M. Clapp. — Caroline Blanchard.

Ordered, on motion of Dr. Richardson, - That the Committees of the Bowdoin and Winthrop School Districts be authorized to hold a convention, for the purpose of taking into consideration the sections of the Boundary line of the Sections of those two Schools, and that they have full powers. — Bowdoin & Winthrop School Sections: Boundary Lines of.

On motion of Dr. Richardson, - Ordered, That the Committee on School Houses be requested to take measures to procure additional accommodations for the Primary Schools in the Bowdoin District. — Primary Schools in Bowdoin District. Additional Accommodations.

The Committee on Music would respectfully Report: That the Schools are in a good condition so far as relates to the branch of study under their immediate supervision. By a decision of the Board the Musical Festival takes place earlier this season than in former years. The Music for the occasion — Report of Committee on Music.

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has been selected, and distributed among the Schools. We feel confident that, by the energetic efforts of the teachers, the pupils will learn the music in season; and acquit themselves with as much credit as on any former occasion. For the Chairman of the Committee,

Aaron P. Richardson.

The above Report was read and accepted.

Transfer of teachers in Bigelow, Lincoln and Lawrence Districts.

Mr. Simonds offered the two following Orders and they were passed:-

Ordered, That Mrs. Tiley A. Bolkcom be transferred from a Primary School in the Bigelow District to a similar School in the Lincoln District, in place of Annie F. Walcutt, resigned.

Ordered, That Miss Emma F. Tinkham be transferred from a Primary School in the Lawrence District to the School in the Bigelow District from which Mrs. Bolkcom was transferred.

Confirmations: Wells District.

Elizabeth D. McClure was confirmed as a Primary Teacher in the Wells District.

Eliot School.

Miss Ellen Fairbanks was nominated as on probation in the Eliot School, commencing Jan. 1. 1862.

Report of Com'ee on School Houses: Additional Accommodations in

The Committee on School Houses, to whom was referred the Order for additional accommodations in the Hancock and Eliot Districts, have examined carefully the subject matter, and report the following facts.

In February, 1861, an Order was introduced at a meeting of this Board, for furnishing additional Rooms in the School Building in Cooper Street. This Order received the attention of the Committee on School Houses, and, at their recommendation, an Order was passed, March 12, to request the City Council to appropriate the whole building for School purposes. For reasons not now known this request was not granted. March 18, 1862. Hancock and Eliot Districts.

In reviewing the actual condition of the School accommodations, as they exist to-day in this locality, we find that the Hancock School contains over 900 pupils; giving about 65 to a teacher. Of this number, 130 are in the Exhibition Hall. Take these, and the surplus of scholars in the other rooms, and there are 233 pupils who ought to be provided for outside of the Grammar Building. Or, if two classes should remain in the Hall, there would be still 121 above the requisite number of 56 to a teacher. If the number of applicants should increase from time to time, the demands for increased accommodations will become still more urgent.

Again, the Hancock Committee have established to day a new School for Special Instruction, in a room in the Baldwin Place Church. If this should become a permanent school, some further provision for it will be required, in some other locality.

In the third place, the Primary Schools in both

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Districts are all full, with the exception of four or five containing the Fifth and Sixth Classes. These will be filled in a few weeks with new scholars.

Two of these School Houses are located, to quote from the Report of last year, "in filthy, dreary places and are a positive disgrace to the city." The one in Hanover Avenue contains but limited yard room; and the surroundings, in the Summer season are positively pestilential. The buildings in Bennet Avenue and North Margin St. are almost in the same condition. These schools should be removed to more favorable localities, that the health of both teachers and pupils may be protected from the surrounding influences. The Committee understand that a new Ward Room is very much needed in Ward One. and the citizens of that Ward are almost unanimous in their demands for some increased accommodations to meet these wants. Some combination could be made, whereby both the School interests and those of the legal voters of the Ward might be made to subserve each other; and thereby lessen materially the expense; that, instead of two buildings being required, one large enough to accommodate 400 to 600 children, aside from furnishing ample room for Ward purposes, should be erected. For these and other reasons the Committee are unanimous in recommending the following Order.

Respectfully submitted. Otis Kimball, Chairman.

Ordered, That a communication be sent to the City Council, stating that additional accommodations are needed in the Hancock and Eliot School Districts. Read, accepted, and the Order passed. March 18. 1862. Order passed.

Mr. Dennis moved a reconsideration of the Report of the Committee on Rules and Regulations on the subject of but one session of the Grammar Schools for Girls during the Winter months. Mr. Haynes moved, and it was voted to lay the motion on the table. One Session in Winter for Girls' Schools.

Mr. Tuxbury moved, and it was Voted, That, when the Board adjourn, it be to meet four weeks from to-day, at the usual hour. Adjournment.

Mr. Tuxbury offered the following: Ordered, That the Secretary be authorized to have printed for the use of this Board, a new edition of one thousand copies of the present Rules & Regulations. Mr. Parker moved to amend, that the same be done under direction of the Committee on Rules and Regulations. On motion of Mr. Dix, of Ward 9, the subject was laid on the table. Printing of the Rules and Regulations. Order laid on the table.

Thereupon the Meeting adjourned.

Attest:

Barnard Capen, Secretary.

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A Meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held at the City Hall, on Tuesday, April 15th. 1862, agreeably to adjournment, at 4 o'clock P.M. The President of the Board in the Chair.

Present: The whole Board, except Messrs. Allen, Hews, Brainard, Briggs, Capt. Duncan, Eaton, Edes, Ellis, Fessenden, Green, Griffin, Hickley, Homans, Hooper, Kimball of Ward 5, Manning, Murdock, Paine, Parsons, Pope, Randall, Read, Rolfe, Stevens, Thomas, Upham and Woodbury.

Absent.

Nominations:- Boudoin Sch.

Miss Annie Kimball was nominated as an Assistant in the Boudoin School, services beginning April 7th, 1862.

Mayhew District.

Margaret R. Atkinson was nominated as a Primary Teacher in the Mayhew District: her services commencing March 17th, 1862.

Communications from P. Stewart, G. Denio and J. Perham.

The Chair submitted a petition of Peyton Stewart, to be appointed a teacher of Gymnastics in the Public Schools: also the petition of Mr. George D. Newcomb, on the subject of Military Drill and Discipline in the Public Schools: also, a communication from Josiah Perham, relative to an exhibition of the "Seven Mile Steam": all of which were ordered to be placed on file.

The Committee on School Houses, having considered

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the Order referred to them, in reference to additional accommodations in the Primary Schools of the Bowdoin District, Report: The District embraces one of the largest tax-paying Wards in the city. Their only Primary School accommodations in the territory bounded by Walnut, Mount Vernon, Joy, Myrtle, Hancock, Cambridge, Stanford, Grove, Court, Washington, West, Fremont, Park, and Beacon Streets, are, a room in an old building at the corner of Joy and Myrtle Streets, inconvenient of access, and with bad ventilation, and two rooms in Charden Street, under the Church, to which the same objections exist. The custom of placing Primary Schools in damp and improperly ventilated rooms, has too long prevailed, and the Committee are of opinion that the city should furnish accommodations for the children of tender years, equal, at least, to those provided for more advanced pupils.

Report of Com'e on School Houses: on Primy School Accommodations in the Bowdoin District.

That the school-rooms of the Bowdoin District are unsuitable there can be no doubt: and it is equally certain that the necessity exists for a new Primary School Building. The Committee report the following Order.

For the Committee. Otis Kimball Chair'n.

Order adopted.

Ordered, That a communication be sent to the City Council, representing the necessity of additional accommodations for the Primary Schools in the Bowdoin School District.

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The Report was read and accepted, and the Order adopted.

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations, on "Discharge of Pupils from School."

The Committee on Rules & Regulations having considered the matter of (the Report of the Special Committee of this Board relating to the Discharge of Pupils from the Public Schools, respectfully Report: That they agree with the Special Committee who have investigated this subject, that there is a great want of uniformity in the practice of the several Grammar Schools upon this subject, and this want of uniformity has rendered the tables purporting to show the Average Attendance of the pupils in the different Schools, less reliable than the importance of such tables would seem to require. There appears also to be a practice on the part of some teachers, to take the attendance of the pupils at the opening of the Schools in the morning, when, on certain occasions, large numbers are permitted to be absent during the remainder of the session.

This would also cause the Returns made to show a larger ratio, or per centage of attendance, than would be shown in like circumstances by a School which did not adopt a similar custom.

The present Rules seem to determine the time for the admission of pupils, but, owing, perhaps, to the difficulty of prescribing a uniform system which should be without objection, no regulation fixes the time for dismissal, even

when the absence is likely to be of long continuance, or is known to be permanent.

Your Committee believe that in all cases where a pupil is absent for any considerable length of time, whatever may be the causes of such absence, he should have his name taken from the Register, and, in all proper cases he can be re-admitted when the cause of such absence shall be removed.

In the view of your Committee, therefore, a uniform rule should be adopted; and they recommend that the following new section be inserted after Sect. 6. Chap. X, of the present Regulations, and that the necessary changes be made in the numbering of the subsequent sections:-

S.C.6. The name of any pupil who shall be absent from school for more than six consecutive school days, shall be stricken from the roll, whether such absence be occasioned by sickness, or from any other cause. And, in all cases where the teacher shall be satisfied that a pupil has left school without the intention of returning, such pupil's name shall be forthwith stricken from the roll. And any pupil shall be considered as absent, for the purposes named in this section, whose attendance at school does not continue for at least two-thirds of the regular school session. (A)

Respectfully submitted.

For the Committee, W. H. Duxbury, Chairman

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Repeal considered

Mr. Parker moved the following amendment: viz. to insert, at "A" as follows: "Any child, whose name shall have been stricken from the Roll, shall be re admitted to the School, on application, without examination." Passed.

Mr. Gould, of Ward 8. offered the following amendment: viz. to strike out, at "B," the words, "be stricken from the Roll," and insert, "shall not be reckoned as on the School Register during further absence." Pending the further consideration of the subject, it was Voted, on motion of Mr. Burroughs, to re commit it to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Musical Exhibition: Committee of Arrangements.

Resolved, on motion of Dr. Veale, - That a Committee of five be appointed by the Chair, to aid the Committee on Music in making arrangements for the next Exhibition of the Musical Department of the Public Schools.

The Chair appointed, as that Committee, Messrs. Burroughs, Ordway, Haynes, and Randall.

Committee on Printing.

The Chair appointed the Standing Committee on Printing, - agreeably to the action of the Board at the last meeting: viz. Messrs. Townsend, Shuttleff, Brewer, Tuxbury, and Simonds. Dr. Shuttleff declined serving.

Report of Committee on Salaries: -

The Committee on Salaries, to whom were referred various Orders, respectfully Report: That, at a meeting of this Board, Dec. 16th, 1861,

the following Order was committed to the Committee of that year: "That Miss Elizabeth Lincoln be paid the maximum salary as Primary School Teacher, from Sept. 2nd, 1861." April 15. 1862. Salary of Elizabeth Lincoln.

Appended to this Order is the following, in reference to Miss Lincoln:- "She formerly served the City as a most faithful teacher, for some sixteen years, and was compelled to resign on account of ill health, produced by her unremitting labors in the School." It will be seen by reference to page 18, of the Rules & Regulations, Chap. IV, Sect. 19, that Re-appointed incumbents in the service of this Board shall rank as new teachers, and begin with the salary agreed to be paid to such teachers." The Committee therefore recommend that this Order do not pass.

The remaining Orders accompanying this Report, have been approved by the Committee, and they recommend their passage. One Order, submitted by the Bowdoin School District Committee, to pay Miss Kimball $12.00, has been reduced to $10.00, as the facts given indicate that the teacher instructed only ten days. Salary of Miss Annie E. Kimball.

Respectfully submitted. Chairman
Adino B Hall,

Read and accepted: the recommendations of the Committee adopted, and the following Orders passed.

Ordered: That $6.00 be paid to Miss Caroline Blanchard, for six days service as temporary teacher in the Bowdoin School, from Sept. 10th to Sept. 15th, 1862. Salary of Miss Caroline Blanchard.

April 15. 1862. Salary of Miss H. M. Clapp.

Ordered, That $6.00 be paid to Miss H. M. Clapp, in six days' service as temporary teacher in the Bowdoin School, from Sept. 3rd to Sept. 8. 1862.

Annie E. Kimball.

Ordered, That $16.00 be paid to Miss Annie E. Kimball, for ten days' service as temporary teacher in the Bowdoin School, commencing Feb. 17, 1862, and ending March 8th, 1862.

Miss E. Lunay: Pay for services.

Ordered, That Eight Dollars be paid to Miss E. Lunay, for eight days' service as teacher in the Primary School No. 3. City Point, from March 4. 1862, to (and incl.) 13th. 1862. (Lincoln School District.)

Miss E. R. Hyman: Pay for services.

Ordered, That the sum of $2.00 be paid to Ellen R. Hyman, for services rendered as teacher of Primary School No. 3. City Point, Lincoln School District, for two days, viz: March 3rd & 4th.

Miss E. A. Randall: Pay for services.

Ordered, That the sum of $14.00 be paid to Miss Sarah A. Randall, for services as temporary teacher in the Hayden School District, from March 13th to March 27th, inclusive.

Salary of Elizabeth Lincoln.

Mr. Coll moved to substitute, for the Report of the Committee on Salaries, in regard to the salary of Miss Elizabeth Lincoln, the original Order of Dec. 10. 1861: and moved that the Rules be suspended, to allow immediate action.

No Quorum

Pending this motion, it appeared that there was no quorum present: whereupon the Roll was called,

Roll called.

and the names of the absent members recorded, as follows: viz: Messrs. Alley, Ames, Braisted, Briggs, Cary, Coale, Dennis, Dias of Ward 8, Duncan, Eaton, Eddy,

Ellis, Fosdick, Green, Griffin, Hopkins, Kinckley, April 15. 1862.
Homans, Hoopes, Kimball, of Wat 5, Kimball
of Ward 10. Manning, Murdock, Paine, Parsons,
Pope, Randall, Rud, Riley, Royce, Stevens, Stock-
bridge, Stiggis, Thomas, Townsend, Upham, Wilbur,
and Woodbury.

Thereupon this Meeting dissolved

Attest:

Barnard Capen

Secretary.

June 10. 1862

A Quarterly Meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston, and also the Annual Meeting for the Election of Instructors was held at the City Hall on Tuesday, the tenth day of June, 1862, at 4 o'clock P.M. The President of the Board occupied the Chair.

Absent

Present: The whole Board, except Messrs. Burroughs, Capt. Cook, Codman, Dana, Drew of Ward 5, Green, Hinckley, Kimball of Ward 5, Paine, Pope, Read, Riley, Rolfe, Stevens, Stiggis, Townsend, Upham, Whiton, and Woodbury.

Nominations;

The following named Teachers were nominated to the Board as being on probation: —

Chapman Dist: Lydia E. Smith, in a Primary School, Chapman Dist.

Eliot School: Martha M. Hobbs, Assistant in the Eliot School, commencing, March 24. 1862.

Everett School: Nina B. Clapp, Assistant in the Everett School, commencing June 2nd, 1862.

Franklin District: Sarah A. Everett, Lucy A. Cate, and Fannie J. Crocker, in Primary Schools in the Franklin District, to commence the next School year.

Lawrence Dist. Lavinia P. Pendleton, in a Primary School in the Lawrence District, commencing April 14th.

Winthrop Dist. Rebecca W. Hitchings, temporary teacher in a Primary School in the Winthrop District.

Confirmations: The following Teachers were confirmed, viz. —

Bigelow School. Emeline W. Goodwin, Assistant in the Bigelow School.

Bowditch " Mary M. J. Foley, Assistant in the Bowditch School.

Caroline B. Lee Rose, Assistant in the Brimmer School. — June 11. 1862.
Eliza A. Allen and Jennie C. Burton, Assistants in the Dwight School. — Brimmer Sch. / Dwight "
Ellen Fairbanks Assistant in the Eliot School. — Eliot "
Matilda E. Rich, Assistant in the Everett School. — Everett "
Sarah P. Mitchell, Head Assistant in the Franklin School, services commencing May 1st. 1862. — Franklin "
Ellen R. Wyman, Assistant in the Lincoln School. — Lincoln "
Mary Jane Chandler, Assistant in the Quincy School. — Quincy "
Mary L. Richards, in a Primary School in the Winthrop School District. — Winthrop Dist.

The Chair appointed Mr. Ellis on the Committee on Printing, in place of Dr. Shurtleff, who declined serving thereon, at the last Meeting. — Committee on Printing.

The Board then attended to the reading of the Quarterly Reports, which were afterwards accepted. — Quarterly Reports.

Dr. Brewer offered the following Resolutions, which were unanimously adopted: — Resolutions on the Death of John B. Alley.

Resolved, That the members of this Board have received, with deep regret, the intelligence of the death of their associate and friend, Doctor John B. Alley, a member from Ward Eight.

Resolved, That his long and faithful services in the School Committee, characterized, as they have been, to a remarkable degree, by punctuality, exactness, scrupulous fidelity, diligent and unwearying assiduity, and a deep and intelligent interest

June 10, 1862. in the Public Schools of this city, coming to under his observance of no common importance, and to call from this Board, for the public expression of our high appreciation of his worth.

Vacancy in the Board. Convention proposed.

Dr. Brewer offered the following:-

Whereas: a vacancy exists in this Board, caused by the death of John M. Alley, of Ward Eight, -

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Mayor and Aldermen, proposing a Convention of both Boards on Monday, June 23d, at 4 o'clock P.M. for the purpose of filling said vacancy, and that public notice be given of the same, pursuant to law. Passed, and the Chair appointed as the Committee to report the name of a candidate to fill the vacancy, Messrs. Ellis and Haynes from the Ward, and Messrs. Burroughs, Tuttle, and Randall at large.

Committee appointed.

Robinson's Ventilators for the Girls' High and Normal Sch. House.

Dr. Rufell offered the following:

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to provide for the ventilation of the rooms of the School House of the Girls' High and Normal School, by means of Robinson's Ventilators. Referred, with full powers, to the Committee on School Houses.

Salary of Mr. Dimmock.

On motion of Dr. Shurtleff, amended by Mr. Tuttle, it was Ordered, That the Order & Report, now lying on the table, in relation to the amount due to Mr. Dimmock, for his services as temporo-

any teacher in the Public Schools be taken from the table, and referred to the Committee on Salaries. June 10. 1862.

Orders were offered to pay for the temporary services of teachers, as follows: by Dr. Palmer, to pay Miss Sarah S. Stevens the sum of $6.00, and Mr. Daniel Ladd the sum of $12.00: by Dr. Richardson, to pay Miss S. Stevens and Miss L. C. Light, each the sum of $12.00: by Dr. Hall, to pay Miss L. C. Light $5.00, Miss Julia Linsley $16.00, Miss Helen C. Nash $6.00, and Miss Hannah C. Pemberton $5.00: all of which Orders were referred to the Committee on Salaries. Temporary Teaching:- Miss S. S. Stevens. " D. Ladd. " S. Stevens. " L. C. Light. " L. J. Copp. " J. Linsley. " H. M. Nash. " H. M. Pemberton.

Mr. Ball renewed the motion made by him at the last Meeting: viz. to substitute, for the Report of the Committee on Salaries, in addition thereto, the original order of December last, in regard to the salary of Miss Elizabeth Lincoln. The Chair stated that, for that purpose, a suspension of the Rules would be requisite. The question was therefore taken upon a suspension, which was decided in the negative. Salary of Elizabeth Lincoln.

The Board then, on motion of Dr. Palmer of Ward 4, went into secret session for the Annual Election of Teachers, and of a Superintendent of the Public Schools. Secret Session.

Voted to proceed to elect a Superintendent of Schools. The Chair appointed Messrs. Ran- Election of a Superintendent of Schools.

June 10. 1862. dall and Wilbur a Committee to collect the ballots, and report the result of the balloting.

A motion by Dr. Putnam of Ward 4 to take an informal ballot, having been lost, the Board balloted, with the following result: Whole No. of votes 411: Necessary to a choice 25: John D. Philbrick had 33. Loring Bishop had 8. Otis Kimball had 3.

Salary of Superintendent. John D. Philbrick was declared elected, and his salary was fixed at $2500.00, the same as last year.

Mastership of the Bigelow School. Rules suspended

Mr. Simonds offered the following:

Ordered, That in the Annual Election of Masters of the Grammar Schools for the ensuing year, the Rules be so far suspended as to allow of the election of a Sub Master to the office of Master, without the formality of advertising and a special examination by a Sub-committee.

The question was first taken upon a suspension of the Rules, which prevailed. The question then being upon the Order, on motion of Dr. Hooper it was amended so as to apply only to the case of the election of a Master of the Bigelow School. The Order was then adopted.

Adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Thayer,

Voted, That when the Board adjourn, it be to Monday, the 23d of June.

Election of Masters.

The Board then proceeded to the Annual Election of Masters. The Committees on the several High Schools and Grammar School Districts nominated candidates

for the various offices to be filled; after which the Chair appointed Messrs. Haynes and Hall a Committee to collect the votes, who reported the following as the result of the balloting:- June 10. 1862.

Election of Masters.

For Master of the Latin School, Francis Gardner.
English High School, Thomas Sherwin.
Girls' High and Normal School, William H. Seaver.
Adams, Percival W. Bartlett. Franklin, Sam'l F. Gould.
Bigelow, Chas. Goodwin Clark. Hancock, George Allen Jr.
Bowditch, William I. Adams. Lawrence, Josiah F. Stearns
Bowdoin, Daniel C. Brown. Lincoln, Samuel Barrett
Boylston, Alfred Hewins. Lyman, Rizen K. Lincoln
Brimmer, Joshua Bates. Mayhew, Samuel Swan
Chapman, John T. Averill. Phillips, James Rowe.
Dwight, James A. Page. Quincy, Chas. C. Valentine.
Eliot, Samuel W. Mason. Wells, Reuben Swan
Everett, George B. Hyde. Winthrop, Robert Swan.

The Chair appointed Mr. Haynes upon the Latin School Committee, to fill the vacancy caused by the decease of Doctor Alley. Latin School Committee: Vacancy filled.

Thereupon, on motion of Mr. Dennie, the Meeting adjourned.

Attest:

Barnard Capen, Secretary.

June 23. 1862.

A Meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held at the City Hall, on Monday, the 23rd day of June, 1862, agreeably to adjournment, at 4 o'clock P.M. The President of the Common Council, in the absence of the President, in the Chair.

No Quorum. Roll called.

The hour appointed for the Meeting having passed, and no quorum being present, the Roll was called, and the names of the absent members recorded, as follows: viz. Messrs. Ames, Brainard, Briggs, Bigs, Cate, Col. Codman, Eaton, Eddy, Ffxenden, Gannett, Green, Griffin, Hall, Hinckley, Homans, Hooper, Kidder, Kimball of Ward 5, Kimball of Ward 10, Lamson, Murdock, Ordway, Paine, Parker, Parsons, Peabody, Read, Rich, Riley, Rufell, Stevens, Sturgis, Thomas, Townsend, Turbury, Underwood, Whitten, Wilson, and the President of the Board.

Of the above, the following named gentlemen afterwards appeared, and were present at the Meeting: viz. Messrs. Ffxenden, Gannett, Griffin, Hinckley, Homans, Lamson, Murdock, Ordway, Paine, Parker, Read, Stevens, Townsend, Turbury, Underwood, Whitten, and the President of the Board.

Convention to fill vacancy.

Agreeably to assignment the Mayor & Aldermen entered, and united in Convention with this Board, for the purpose of filling the vacancy in the School Committee, caused by the death of John B. Alley, of Ward Eight.

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The Committee appointed to propose a candidate to fill the vacancy, reported the name of Thomas H. Russell. The Chair appointed Aldermen Geo. F. Richards, and Messrs. Rogers and Leonard a Committee to collect the ballots, and report the result, which was as follows: Whole No. of votes 52: all for Thomas H. Russell. Mr. Russell was accordingly declared elected. Thereupon, the business of the Convention having been accomplished, the two Boards separated, the President of the Board retaining the Chair.

Thomas H. Russell elected.

Election of Instructors.

The Chair stated that the business first in order was the unfinished business of the preceding Meeting, which was the Annual Election of Instructors. Upon a question raised by Dr. Lothrop, the Chair decided that the secret session, under which the Board sat at the last meeting, was dissolved, by the adjournment of the meeting. The Board then, on motion of Dr. Palmer of Ward 4, proceeded with the Election of Instructors, upon the nominations made by the several Committees, as follows:

Latin School.

Latin School. Edwin H. Hagar, Sub-Master. Charles J. Capen, Moses Merrill, Joseph F. Kate, and Albert Palmer, Ushers. N. B. H. De Coudres, Teacher of French.

English High School.

English High School. Charles H. Cummings and Luther V. Anderson, Sub-Masters, Ephraim Hunt and Charles Carroll, Ushers. William N. Bartholomew, Teacher of Drawing.

Eng. High School

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Girls' High & Normal School

Girls' High and Normal School. Harriet E. Cayt, Head Assistant: Maria J. Bacon, Margaret A. Badger, Helen M. Ivory, Emma J. Temple, Catharine Knight, Mary E. Yates, Annie L. Greenwood, Helen L. Sylvester, Assistants. Carl Zerrahn, Teacher of Vocal Music. William F. Bartholomew, Teacher of Drawing. P. W. Gengembre, Teacher of French. Philip Willner, Teacher of German.

Adams Dist

Adams School. Robert C. Metcalf, Sub Master. Jane F. Tower, Margaret J. Allison, Elizabeth C. Southgate, Head Assistants. Josephine J. Jones, Mary C. Hoffman, Mary E. White, Almira G. Smith, Julia J. Pierce, Lucy A. Wiggin and Sarah J. D'Arcy, Assistants. Charles Butler, Teacher of Vocal Music.

Primaries

Eliza A. Wiggin, Teacher of Sewing. Primary Teachers: Emily C. Morse, Elizabeth Lincoln, Rosa L. Morse, Mary H. Allen, Sarah F. Wiggin, Susan D. Wilde, Mary E. McLoud, Esther L. Morse, Annette A. Webster.

Bigelow Dist

Bigelow School. Joseph Hale, Sub Master. Rachel C. Mather, Julia M. Baxter, and Celinda Seaver, Head Assistants. Roxanna N. Blanchard, Mary A. Hale, Jane M. Channington, Emily A. Russell, Sophia B. Whiton, Emeline W. Goodwin, Harriet F. Howes, Lucy E. Lovell, Louisa M. Hollington, and Elizabeth Williams, Assistants. Henrietta W. Whiton, Teacher of Sewing. Albert Drake, Teacher of Singing.

Primaries

Primary Teachers: Mary P. Colburn, Ruth F. Dilloway, Annie E. Gill, Elizabeth A. Groves, Martha C. Jenks, Emeline F. Totman, Maria A. Cook, Josephine

B. Cheminton, Sarah A. Graham, Caroline R. Hol- June 23, 1862.
-way, Florence W. Nelson and Emma J. Pinkham.

Bowditch School. Annie F. G. Badger, Head Assist- Bowditch Dist.
-ant. Clarinda R. S. Treadwell, Eliza J. Reed, Susan
H. Baxter, Frances R. Henry, Ellen A. F. Treadwell,
Ellen M^c Kendry, Mary E. Nichols, Caroline H. Mar-
shall, Anna L. Maynard, Annie B. Thompson, Sarah
E. Daly, Catharine S. Clinton, Mary M. J. Foley, Assistants.
Eliza A. Baxter, Teacher of Sewing. Charles Butler, Teach-
er of Singing.

Bowdoin School. Mary A. Murdock, Mary Bowdoin Dist.
Ann Smith and Rebecca Lincoln, Head Assistants.
Mary J. Robinson, Josiah B. Hon, Hannah J. An-
drews, Eliza A. Fay, Martha A. Palmer, Irene W.
Wentworth, and Lucy C. Gould, Assistants. Charles
Butler, Teacher of Singing. Primary Teachers: Mat- Primaries
-ilda N. Parker, C. Eliza Mason, Charlotte A. Curtis,
J. Elizabeth Adams, Marianne Stephens, Frances L.
R. Whitman, and Olive Ruggles.

Boylston School. John Jameson, Sub Master. Boylston Dist.
Willard J. Cobb, Usher. Sarah C. Simmons, Head As-
sistant. Sarah Fuller, Mary E. Holland, Mary
A. Davis, Minnie A. Farwell, Averick S. White,
Josephine M. Hanna, Emily J. Hutchins, & Susan
P. Leeds, Assistants. Primary Teachers: Augusta Primaries
F. Tappan, Annie C. Haley, Adelia C. Edwards, Emily
Pasley, Mary C. Sawyer, Maria B. Clapp, Celeste Reed,
Ellen M. Perkins, A. C. N. Treadwell, Rosalie G. Abbot,
Hannah C. G. Gleason, Angelia M. Newmarch, Maria
J. Coburn, Abby M. Parker, Octavia C. Reed, Mary

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C. Hillman, Anna A. Leeain, Henriette B. Cutter, H. Isabella Hopkins, Lydia B. Pitt, Ruth E. Rowe, Celia Nixon, Julia B. Lombard.

Bummer Sch. District

Bummer School. W. L. F. Boardman, Sub Master. William Read, Usher. Rebecca L. Simonds, Head Assistant. Mary E. Beck, Augusta H. Swan, Louisa F. Swan, Susan F. Cunningham, Amanda Swan, Harriet E. Howard, Harriet L. Lane, Mercy A. Davis, Mary H. Knight, Caroline B. Le Row, Assistants. Primary Teachers: Eliza B. Moriarty, Eliza C. Foster, Lucy H. Symonds, Emma F. Whiton, Sarah R. Burtt, Ann Bourne, Dorcas B. Baldwin, Deborah K. Bungay, Sarah Farley, Martha J. Coolidge, and Cath. M. Richardson. Edwin Bruce Teacher of Vocal Music.

Primaries

Chapman District

Chapman School. William H. Ward, Sub Master. Parthenia H. Wilder, Maria D. Kimball, Rozella Howard, and Philura Wright, Head Assistants. Sarah E. Bachelder, A. Delia Stickney, Nellie M. Morse, Mary E. Moore, Louisa M. Collyer, Patia A. Colby, Mary A. H. Pingree, Mary M. Morse, Anne E. Walker, and Sarah F. Butler, Assistants. Frances C. Cose, Teacher of Sewing. Charles Butler, Teacher of Vocal Music.

Primaries

Primary Teachers: Mary E. Hall, Louisa Curtis, Elizabeth C. Johnson, Huldah H. Mitchell, Emily C. Stewart, Mary D. Day, Jane E. Beale, Sarah A. Pratt, Helen A. Banks, Mary E. Morse, Sarah A. Small, Melinda L. Barnes, Ellen M. Robbins, Margaret A. Bartlett, Hannah F. Crafts, Harriet N. Tyler.

Dwight School. Charles Hutchins, Sub-Master, June 23, 1862.
Lucius F. Wheelock, Usher. Mary J. Ross, Head Ass't. Dwight District
Ann M. Keller, Anna L. Hallock, Mary J. Gardner, Jane M. Hight, Clara B. Gould, Eliza A. Allen, Martha F. Joslin, Jennie L. Wooster, and Jennie E. Burton, Assistants. Charles Butler, Music Teacher.
Mary L. Moore, Augusta A. Davis, Mary E. R. Fowle, Primaries
Henrietta Draper, Eliza G. Swett, and Jane P. Tolcott, Primary Teachers.

Eliot School. H. Lavinia F. Cook, Sub-Master, Eliot District.
Gertrude Taylor, Head Assistant, from June 1, 1862.
Walter H. Newell, Usher. Elizabeth M. Turner, Sarah E. Goodrich, Anna E. Dyke, Helen Faxon, Frances M. Bodge, Victoria G. Wheat, Georgiana D. Russell, Ellen Fairbanks, Mary E. Sargent, and Martha N. Hicks, Assistants. Edwin Bruce, Teacher of Vocal Music

Primary Teachers: Sarah H. Winsor, Sophia Shepard, Clarissa Davis, Eleone G. Tewksbury, Sarah E. Chevaillier, Harriet F. Bowdy, Eliza Brintnall, Eliza J. Cosgrave, Mary A. Cushing, Juliette Davis, Sarah Ripley, Julia Ann Cutts, L. Isabelle Tewksbury, Helen M. Varney, Mary E. Barnett, Maria A. Gibbs. Primaries

Everett School. Eliza A. Harding, Frances E. Keller, Janet M. Eighten, Head Assistants. Everett Dist.
Elizabeth A. Browne, Louisa Tucker, Matilda E. Rich, Ann J. Bolden, Frances R. Josselyn, Louisa M. Aline, Sarah W. Pollard, Assistants. Eleanor L. Boone Teacher of Sewing. Charles Butler, Teacher of Music.

Primary Teachers: Eliza E. Gould, Betsey H. Warren, Mary F. Tucker, Anna R. Frost, Caroline Lane, Mary F. Burton, Caroline N. Bean, Elizabeth Primaries

June 23. 1862. Norman and Lydia F. Blanchard.

Franklin District. Franklin School. Mary H. Ellis. Catherine F. Simonds. Sarah A. Gale and Sarah P. Litchfield. Head Assistants. Lydia M. Emmons. F. Catharine Bradford, Susan E. Gates, Mary A. Litchfield. Hattie L. Davis. Elizabeth J. Brown. Lucy F. Hayes, & Mary J. Enoch, Assistants. Maria G. Wolcott. Teacher of Music. Charles Butler, Teacher of Music.

Primaries. Primary Teachers. Susan H. Chaffee, Alice K. Sweetser, Lucy A. Beck, Eliza J. Dyer, Hannah M. Eldridge, Harriet M. Mixon, Caroline Hatfield, Josephine Whipple, Virginia A. Ballard, Helen C. Eaton, Frances H. Sylvester, Maria Jenkins, & Elizabeth F. Cummings.

Hancock District. Hancock School. Thomas G. Sammons, Sub-Master. Angelina F. Brigham, Head Assistant. Esther F. Wilder, Martha F. Winning, Anna B. Hall, Henrietta L. Pierce, Helen M. Hitchings, Susan W. Porter, Sarah E. White, Achsah Barnes. Ellen A. Hunt, Emily F. Tyler, Malvina R. Brigham, and Josephine M. Robertson, Assistants. Jennie B. Buck, Singing Teacher, Edwin Bruce, Teacher of Vocal Music. Primary Teachers: Mary L. Cunningham, Sarah L. Shepard, Sarah F. Ellis, Mary S. Gale, Mary J. Clark, Emily F. Tewksbury, Margaret H. Hall, Elizabeth F. Frye, Adeline F. Bodge, Harriet B. Vose, Emma F. Linsley, Martha F. Bixby, Esther W. Mansfield, Fanny Harrod, Kate F. Sawyer, Anna H. Burns, and Susan Page.

Primaries

Laurence School. Henry C. Hawkes, Sub Master. June 23. 1862.
Margaret Ryle, Mary W. Conant & Kate W. Jones, Laurence Dist.
Head Assistants. Juliet Smith, Mary J. Newmarch, Elizabeth F. Jeffords, Louisa C. Richards, Jane L. Sharp, Alice Cooper, Sarah O. Babcock, Margaret A. Moody, Lovantia F. Bradley, Eliza L. Darling, Assistants. Sarah J. Bliss, Teacher of Sewing. Albert Drake, Teacher of Vocal Music.

Primary Teachers: Lucinda Smith, Sarah J. Primaries.
Blake, Mary F. Baker, Sarah F. Hall, Mary F. Jones, Mary Lincoln, Mary A. Macnair, Mary E. Fox, Olive W. Green, Elizabeth F. Allen, Mary F. Peeler, Sarah V. Cunningham, Rebecca H. Bird, Anna R. Thurston, and Laura F. Reed.

Lincoln School. Charles A. Morrill, Sub Master. Lincoln
Mary E. Balch, Martha A. Dalton, Myra District.
S. Butterfield, Head Assistants. Anne M. Brown, Laura Bartlett, Cynthia H. Sears, Analine B. Jewell, Frances A. Nichols, Harriet F. Morrell, and Ellen R. Wyman, Assistants. Elizabeth Bedlington, Teacher of Sewing. Albert Drake, Teacher of Vocal Music.

Primary Teachers: Laura J. Perry, Mary H. Sar- Primaries.
gent, Mary E. Easton, Lucy C. Bartlett, Lydia F. Bates, Caroline Matilda Lyon, Lily Ann Bolkcom, Susan W. Smith.

Lyman School. James F. Hackington, Sub Lyman Dist.
Master. Mary O. Bullinch, Mary J. Cage, Cordelia Lothrop, Head Assistants. Eliza F. Russell, Mary A. Turner, Amelia H. Pitman, Harriet F. Webster,

June 23. 1862. Assistants. Frances E. Close, Teacher of Sewing. Charles Butler, Teacher of Vocal Music.

Primaries. Primary Teachers: A. J. Duncan, Clara J. Dyer, Isabella A. Hill, Hannah E. Atkins, Susan H. H. Swan, Hannah L. A. Hansen, Angeline M. Cudworth, Helen M. Hunkly, Sarah Bosworth.

Hayden District. Hayden School: Quincy E. Dickerman, Sub Master. L. Hill Grandgent, Usher. Emily A. Woodbin. Head Assistant. Elizabeth Hopkins, Sarah W. Copeland, Annie D. Holmes, Elizabeth L. West, Adeline F. Cutler, Mary G. Powell, Caroline F. Reed, and Lucy Blanche Ladd, Assistants. Samuel Swan (Master) Teacher of Vocal Music.

Primaries. Primary Teachers: Permelia Stevens, Bethiah Whiting, Caroline Wason, M. Electa Lamiat, Mary E. Parker, Catharine W. Callender, Harriet A. Barron, Henrietta B. Tower, Sarah E. Copeland, Nevia L. Cummings, Margaret R. Atkinson.

Phillips Dist. Phillips School: Amphion Gates, Sub Master. John M. Colcord, Usher. Isabella H. Wilson, Head Assistant. Laura M. Porter, Lucy F. Nevins, Hannah M. Sutton, Elvira M. Harrington, Abby A. Reed, Harriet A. Cunningham, M. Josephine Dugan, and Emily A. Perkins, Assistants. Edwin Bruce, Teacher of Vocal Music.

Primaries. Primary School: Mary A. Allen, Sarah M. Tanner, Josephine Southway, Caroline F. Eastman, Abby A. Lincoln, Eliza A. Southall, Sarah Ingalls, Harriet H. Kering, Emeline D. Fish, Ruth M. Sanborn.

Quincy School: Benjamin H. Tolman, Sub Master, Edward Gay, Usher. Josephine L. Tucker, Lydia A. Hanson, Celia Simonds, Head Assistants Julia B. Burrill, Annie G. Cummings, Angeline A. Moulton, Olive M. Tyler, Sarah C. Chandler, Elizabeth J. Bailey, Charlotte L. Wheelwright, Harriet D. Hinckley, Emily H. Peck, C. Augusta Hunt and Mary J. Chandler, Assistants. Charles Butler Teacher of Vocal Music. Primary Teachers: Sophronia N. Herrick, Hannah A. Lawrence, Adeline Hackbridge, Marian A. Flynn, Mary C. Greene, Charlotte L. Young, Sarah C. Anderson, Mary A. B. Gore, Caroline M. Grover, Frances Torrey, Hannah C. Moore, Hannah L. Billings, Caroline L. P. Torrey, Caroline A. Morris, Agnes Duncan, Henriette Madigan, Julia A. Wheaton, Rebecca R. Thayer and Abby M. Mills. — June 23, 1862. Quincy District. Primaries.

Wells School: Matilda A. Gerry, Head Assistant Ellen F. Preble, Sarah J. Lothrop, Lydia F. Chandler, Lydia A. Beck, Mary F. Carter, Juliana Spanell, Sarah E. Wiggin, Assistants. Mary E. Mudge, Teacher of Sewing. Edwin Bruce, Teacher of Vocal Music. — Wells District.

Primary Teachers: Mary F. Jones, Anna A. James, Elizabeth D. McClure, Augusta H. Foster, Mary L. Bailey, Lucy M. A. Redding, Maria W. Turner, Elizabeth F. Crafts, Elizabeth F. Foster, Mary F. Watts. — Primaries.

Winthrop School: Susan A. W. Loring, Mary G. Leach, Rebecca P. Parry, Almira Seymour, Martha E. Irving, Head Assistants. Mary Newell, Kate E. Perigo, Mary E. Davis, Emma A. Holmes, Mary J. Danforth, Julia A. Jellison, Georgiana Spanell, Fannie E. Jennison — Winthrop District.

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Hannah H. Hasmer, Emily A. H. Hathaway, Ellen J. Cutter, and Elizabeth J. Emmons, Assistants.

Primaries

Hannah A. Rotch, Teacher of Singing, Charles Butler, Teacher of Vocal Music. Primary Teachers: Anna O. Jones, Mary B. Bourne, Susan Frizzell, Ellen E. Finch, Elizabeth F. Bentley, Mary L. Richards, Dora A. Norton, Mary A. Sylvester, Mary E. Pettengill, Harriet A. Bates, Priscilla Johnson, Sarah E. Lewis, Elizabeth E. Brink.

Eliz Jenny R. Richardson's Petition.

The Chair laid a communication, presented by Dr. Bethop, from Eliz Jenny R. Richardson, an Assistant in the Eliot School, petitioning for the cause of her removal. On motion of Mr. Haynes, the communication was ordered to be placed on file.

Nominations.-

The following Teachers were nominated as being on probation: viz: Miss Ann Powell, Assistant in Bowditch School, from June 23d. 1862.

Bowditch Sch.

Boudoin Dist.

Louise J. Hovey, Primary, in the Boudoin District.

Lincoln "

Sarah E. Varney, Primary Teacher in the Lincoln District, commencing May 1st. 1862.

Lawrence "

Harriet N. Hammond, Primary in the Lawrence District.

Wells "

Elizabeth W. Snow, Primary, in the Wells District.

Salaries of Instructors fixed

Ordered, on motion of Dr. Townsend, That the Salaries of the Instructors of the Public Schools be the same, for the ensuing School year, as is specified under Chap. V. of the Rules of this Board.

Report Com. on Salaries

The Committee on Salaries

recommend the passage of the following Orders:	June 23d, 1862.
1. Ordered, That $38.00 be paid to Miss Sarah J. Copp, for services as temporary Assistant in the Hancock School, from April 7 to May 31. 1862.	Sarah J. Copp's services.
2. Ordered, That $16.00 be paid to Miss Celia Linsley, for sixteen days service as temporary Teacher in the Hancock School, from May 1, to Apr. 5th.	Celia Linsley's services.
3. Ordered, That $61.00 be paid to Miss Helen M. Nash, for services as a temporary Assistant in the Hancock School, from March 10, to May 31.	Helen M. Nash's services.
4. Ordered, That $54.00 be paid to Miss Hannah M. Pembroke, for services as a temporary teacher in the Intermediate School in Baldwin Place, Hancock District, from March 18 to May 31st.	Hannah M. Pembroke's services.
5. Ordered, That $6.00 be paid to Miss Sarah F. Stevens, for six days service as a temporary teacher, in the Eliot School, from March 3d to March 8. 1862.	Sarah F. Stevens's services.
6. Ordered, That $12.00 be paid to Miss H. Todd, for twelve days service as temporary teacher in the Eliot School, from March 10, to March 22nd.	Miss H. Todd's services.
7. Ordered, That $12.00 be paid to Miss L. C. Light, for twelve days' services as temporary teacher in the Bowdoin School, from March 24th to April 5th.	Miss L. C. Light's services.
8. Ordered, That $12.00 be paid to Miss S. Stevens, for services as temporary Assistant in the Bowdoin School, from March 10th to March 22nd.	Miss S. Stevens's Services.
9. Ordered, That the sum of $319.74 be paid to Wm. R. Dimmock, for services as temporary teacher in the Latin School, from Jan. 10th to March 25th, 1861.	W. R. Dimmock's services.

June 23d. 1862.

Respectfully submitted. For the Committee on Salaries. J. K. Woodbury, Chairman, Robn. Read, accepted, and the Orders adopted.

Adjournment

Voted, on motion of Dr. Lothrop, That, when the Board adjourn, it be to Tuesday, the first day of July; and that the Secretary notify the members that a full and punctual attendance is desired.

Vacancies in Committees filled.

Accounts: Brimmer, Winthrop & Quincy Districts.

The Chair made the following appointments on Committees: viz: Mr. Haynes on the Committee on Accounts, and Mr. Russell of Ward 8 on the Committee on the Brimmer and Winthrop District Committees, all to fill vacancies caused by the death of Dea. Alley; relieving Mr. Haynes from the Quincy District Committee, and placing Mr. Russell of Ward 8 thereon: all of which the Board confirmed.

Sessions of Pub. Schools suspended

On motion of Dr. Duncan,

Ordered, That the sessions of the Public Schools be suspended on the forenoon of Saturday, following the Fourth of July.

Roll called.

Dr. Lothrop arose to present a Report of the Committee on Rules and Regulations, but, the question being raised as to whether a quorum of the members was present, on motion of Dr. Shurtleff the Roll was called, and the names of the absent members were recorded, as follows; viz. Messrs. Ames, Brainard, Briggs, Cyrus Cobb, Chas. F. Coffin, Coleman, Duncan,

Absentees

June 28th, 1862.

Eaton, Eddy, Ellis, Green, Hill, Hinckley, Hooper, Kidder, Kimball of Ward 5, Kimball of Ward 10, Lamson, Manning, Paine, Parsons, Pope, Rich, Riley, Rotch, Russell of Ward 3, Russell of Ward 5, Stockbridge, Sturgis, Thomas, Townsend, Upham, Wilbur, and Wolcott. Whereupon it appeared that a quorum was present.

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations on Examination of Candidates for Teachers.

Dr. Lothrop then read the Report of the Committee on Rules and Regulations, on the subject of providing a more thorough and uniform system of examination of candidates for teachers, and submitted the following Order: Ordered, That the Committee on Rules and Regulations be instructed to draw up and submit to this Board such amendments and alterations of the Rules and Regulations as may be necessary to institute a Board of Examiners, or a Standing Committee on the examination of Candidates for Teachers, according to the plan presented in the foregoing Report.

Without taking action on the Report, the Board, on motion of Mr. Haynes, adjourned.

Attest:

Barnard Capen, Secretary.

July 1. 1862.

A Meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held, by adjournment, at the City Hall, on Tuesday, the first day of July, 1862, at 4 o'clock P.M. The President of the Common Council in the Chair.

No Quorum

The hour for which the Meeting was called having passed, and no quorum being present, the Chair ordered the Roll to be called; whereupon it appeared that the following named gentlemen were present: viz. Messrs. Brown, Cass, Cook, Dr. Edman, Duncan, Eaton, Eddy, Jefferson, Gould of Ward 5, Gould of Ward 3, Guild, Griffin, Hall, Haskins, Jarvis, Learnard, Murdock, Newell, Odiorne, Palmer, Ward 4, Parsons, Pope, Randall, Read, Rich, Rice, Shurtleff, Stevens, Stockbridge, Sturgis, Townsend, Tuthury, Underwood, Upham, Whiton, Willis, Woodbury, and the President of the Board. Of the foregoing, the following gentlemen afterwards appeared, & were present at the Meeting, viz. Messrs. Brown, Duncan, Eddy, Jefferson, Gould of Ward 3, Griffin, Haskins, Learnard, Newell, Odiorne, Palmer of Ward 4, Randall, Read, Rich, Stockbridge, Townsend, Underwood, Whiton & Woodbury.

Report Com. on Rules & Regns. on Examination of Candidates for teachers.

The Chair stated the first business to be the Report of the Committee on Rules and Regulations, read at the last meeting, on the subject of the examination of candidates for teachers. Mr. Rice moved, and it was Voted, that the Re-

fact be laid on the table and printed.

Mr. Simonds nominated Miss Sarah E. R. Manning as teacher in Primary School in the Bigelow District, from the First of September next.

Bigelow Dist. Miss Manning nominated.

Dr. Lothrop read the Annual Report, required by the Rules of the Committee on Text-Books; which, on motion of Dr. Bennett was recommitted, for the Committee to make such recommendations to the Board as they may deem advisable.

Text Books: Ann'l. Report of Comm'ee on.

Mr. Kimball of Ward 14. reported, from the Committee on School Houses, the following Order, and moved a suspension of the Rules, for immediate action thereon. The Rules were suspended, and the Order passed:-

Ordered, That a communication be sent to the City Council, requesting their consideration of the necessity of the erection of a Primary School House in the Bowdoin District; or such accommodation is needed, to meet the wants of citizens residing in the easterly portion of the District.

Report of Com. on School Houses:- New Primary Sch. House in Bowdoin District.

On motion of Dr. Lothrop,

Ordered, That Mr. James Robinson be appointed an Assistant teacher, for the school year beginning on the first Monday in September next, to perform such services, and give such instruction, in Arithmetic and Book-Keeping, in either of the

James Robinson appointed Ass't. Teacher, &c.

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Schools, as he may be called on to perform by the Superintendent, or either of the Chairmen of our District Committees, at a salary of $600.00 a year.

New City Hall: accommodations for the School Committee. &c.

Ordered, on motion of Dr. Bethop, That a Special Committee of three of its members be appointed to confer with the City Authorities, the necessity of suitable accommodations being made for this Board, its Committees and offices, in the "Plan" of a new City Hall, soon to be considered by them. The Chair appointed as that Committee, Messrs. Bethrop, Dennie and Defriendon.

Questions for Medal Examinations to be printed.

Mr. Leonard offered the following; Ordered, That the Committee on Printing be instructed to allow the printing of questions for the Medal Examinations, to be used in the Franklin, Dwight, and Everett Schools. Mr. Parker moved so to amend the Order as to extend the permission to all the District Committees. Dr. Hooper moved to insert a provision that the printing be done under the direction of the Committee on Printing. Both of these amendments passed, and the Order as amended passed.

Dr. Palmer of Ward 4 offered the following Orders: both of which were adopted:-

1. Ordered, That the Secretary obtain from the Master of each Grammar School the Average Number of pupils belonging to the School for the year preceding July 1. 1862, and communicate the same

to the Chairman of each of the District Committees. July 1. 1862.

2. Ordered, That each Grammar School District Committee be instructed to restrict the number of Medals to be awarded in the School under its charge, to one-sixtieth part of the average whole number of pupils. - in compliance with the Rules and Regulations, Chap. IV, Sect. 16; and that the Secretary be instructed not to prepare for any Grammar School, more Medals than said School is entitled to receive, without a special vote of this Board. No. of Medals to be awarded.

On motion of Dr. Lothrop, Report on Discharge of Pupils from School to be printed.

Ordered, That the Committee on Rules and Regulations be discharged from the further consideration of the Report of a Special Committee on "The Discharge of Pupils from School"; and that one hundred copies of said Report be printed, that it may be brought before this Board for its direct consideration and action.

Dr. Lothrop moved that a Special Committee be appointed to make arrangements for the Annual School Festival. Mr. Drew of Ward 9. moved, as an amendment, that the Committee consist of one member from each of the Wards. The motion to amend passed, and the original motion, thus amended, passed. Whereupon the Chair appointed the following Committee: viz. Messrs. Lothrop of Ward 6. Hall of Ward 1. Woodbury of Ward 2. Richardson of Ward 3. Shurtleff of Ward 4. Crane of Ward 5. Annual School Festival Committee on.

July 1. 1862. Russell of Ward 7. Gould of Ward 8, Dunn of Ward 9. Kimball of Ward 10. Thomas of Ward 11. Simonds of Ward 12. Mr. Dunn declined serving, and the Chair appointed Mr. Eidman, from the same Ward.

Upon a motion made by Dr. Lothrop, that the Board adjourn to the Tuesday before the first Monday in September, it appeared that there was no quorum present. The Chair ordered the Roll to be called, when the following named gentlemen were recorded as being absent, viz.— Messrs. Ames, Brewer, Briggs, Capt. Coale, Cobb, Eidman, Dunn of Ward 8, Eaton, Gould of Ward 3, Green, Griffin, Hall, Hinckley, Howard, Hooper, Jarvis, Kidder, Kimball of Ward 5, Kimball of Ward 10, Manning, Murdock, Newell, Parsons, Pope, Riley, Rolfe, Russell of Ward 7, Stevens, Stingis, Townsend, Sutton, Upham, Wilbur, Woodbury, and the President of the Board, and Mr. Russell of Ward 8.

No Quorum

Roll called.

Thereupon the Meeting dissolved.

Attest:

Barnard Capen, Secretary.

Boston, July 11th, 1862. July 14. 1862.

To Hon. J. M. Wightman, Mayor,
President of the School Committee.

Sir:

We, the undersigned, Mayor requested to call a meeting.
members of the School Committee, respectfully request you to call a Special Meeting of the Board, to be held on Monday next, the 14th inst, at 4 o'clock P.M. (Signed) Joseph L. Lyon, James Lennie, Benjamin Kessenden, Henry W. Haynes, A. D. Shurtleff, John Newell, G. W. Lawbury, Solomon Simonds.

Agreeably to the above request, by order of the President of the Board, a Meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held at the City Hall, on Monday, the 14th day of July, 1862, at 4 o'clock P.M. the President of the Common Council, in the absence of the President, in the Chair. Present, the whole Board, except Messrs. Bowen, Brown, Capt. Coale, Cobb, Codman, Drew of Ward 8, Members absent.
Eaton, Ellis, Gannett, Gould of Ward 3, Gould of Ward 8, Green, Griffin, Haskins, Hall, Hinckley, Hooper, Kidder, Manning, Murdock, Newell, Ordway, Paine, Parsons, Riley, Rufell of Ward 7, Russell of Ward 8, Stevens, Stockbridge, Townsend, Tuxbury, Upham, Whiton, and Wilbur.

Mr. Drew of Ward 8 stated to the Board the object for calling the Meeting, and offered the following motion; that, when the number of pupils in any Grammar School, in the Award of Medals.

July 14. 1862. dividing by sixty, is more than thirty, the Committee be authorized to award another medal. The Chair ruled that, for the purpose of this motion a suspension of the Rules would be necessary. The Rules were thereupon suspended.

Mr. Randall moved that, wherever a fraction exists, in determining the number of medals to be awarded, one medal be placed at the discretion of the Committee, the same to be awarded if they see fit. Dr. Gotthelf moved, as an amendment, that, in case the fraction be thirty-sixtieths, the Committee be allowed to award a medal for that fraction; which amendment prevailed. A motion, by Mr. Dennis, to reconsider this vote, was lost. The original motion of Mr. Randall's, as amended, was then adopted.

Dr. Shurtleff offered the following two Orders, both of which were referred to the Committee on Salaries: -

Latin School: Mr. Otis's services.

1. Ordered, That the sum of $149.31 be paid to Mr. Charles P. Otis, for services as Assistant Teacher in the Latin School, from April 21st to May 5th.

Mr. Davis's services.

2. Ordered, That the sum of $78.90 be paid to Mr. A. H. Davis, for services as Assistant Teacher in the Latin School, from May 7th to June 1st, 1862.

Resolutions on death of Thomas Cary

Mr. Randall offered the following:

Whereas, This Board has heard with deep and sincere regret, of the death of Colonel Thomas Cary, late our Associate, and, for many years, a member

of the School Committee of the City of Boston, there-
fore, Resolved, That, in his early death, we are
called to mourn the loss of one whom we had
proudly sent forth from our number, to stand
by the Flag and support the Government of our
Country; and who, we had fondly hoped, would
return again to our councils, with the bright laur-
els of a Soldier's glory, to make us more honored
in being his associates, and grateful for the privi-
lege we should enjoy of paying tribute to his
devotion.

Resolved, That the love of his country should
see in these sacrificial offerings upon the altar
of a hallowed patriotism, new reasons for strength-
ening his love, and yielding fidelity to that Un-
ion and Constitution, which is so daily bap-
tized with heroic blood, and which, the dearest
object of our friend, that he might be permitted
to pour out his own, rather than the one or
the other should be broken or impaired.

Resolved, That our County, in common with our
State and community, will not lightly forget the
services and labors of our friend, but will cherish,
with abiding love and gratitude, the remembrance
of his heroism, his valor and his virtues, and send
him down to posterity as one of the noblest mar-
tyrs of the Second Revolution.

Resolved, That, while we feel that, in this, the
hour of their bereavement, we can offer to his family
and kindred no adequate consolation, yet will we

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tender our warmest and kindliest sympathies, and unite with them that, though a beloved one is taken from their home, yet our common Mother, Earth, has gathered a precious and immortal son to her bosom.

Resolved. That the Secretary of this Board be instructed to enter these Resolutions upon the Records of our proceedings, and to transmit a copy to the family of our deceased companion, as the least of the many offerings we would gladly pay to his memory.

Resolutions adopted.

The Resolutions were advocated by Mr. Randall, and seconded by Dr. Richardson, who moved their adoption. The Resolutions were then unanimously adopted, the members rising, and standing in their places.

Thereupon the Meeting dissolved.

Attest:

Barnard Capen, Secretary.

A Quarterly Meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held at the City Hall, on Tuesday, the ninth day of September, 1862, at four o'clock P.M. The President of the Common Council, in the absence of the President, in the Chair. — Sept. 9. 1862.

The hour for which the Meeting was appointed having passed, and no quorum being present, the Roll was called, and the following members were recorded as being absent:- Messrs. Ames, Brainard, Briggs, Cobb, Coale, Coolidge, Dana, Dennis, Eaton, Ellis, Gould of Ward 3, Green, Griffin, Hinckley, Homans, Lamson, Manning, Murdock, Ordway, Paine, Palmer of Ward 3, Palmer of Ward 4, Pope, Randall, Read, Riley, Russell of Ward 8, Shurtleff, Stevens, Sturgis, Townsend, Tuxbury, Upham, Whiton, Wilbur, Woodbury, and the President of the Board. — No Quorum. — Roll called.

The following gentlemen afterwards appeared and were present at the meeting: viz. Messrs. Cobb, Gould of Ward 3, Griffin, Homans, Ordway, Palmer of Ward 4, Townsend and Tuxbury.

Confirmations:

Louisa Tucker was confirmed as Head Assistant in the Everett School, services commencing Sept. 1st. — Everett School.

Sarah E. Wiggin was confirmed as Head Assistant in the Wells School, services commencing Sept. 1st. — Wells School

Nominations:

The following Teachers were nominated to the Board as being on probation: viz. Mr. N. H. Davis, Usher in the Latin School, commencing June 2nd. — Latin School.

Sept. 9. 1862. Girls' High & Normal. Boylston Dist. Brimmer School and District. Eliot School. Franklin School. Phillips School. Quincy District. Winthrop District.

Mary H. Ellis, Assistant in the Girls' High and Normal School, commencing Sept. 1st.

Clara A. Clark, in a Primary School in the Boylston District, services commencing June 2nd.

Annie P. James, Assistant in the Brimmer School.

Ellen M. Fisher, in a Primary School in the Brimmer District, probation 4 months, to date from Sept. 1st.

Augusta C. Welch, Assistant in the Eliot School, services commencing Sept. 1st.

Anne E. Parker, Assistant in the Franklin School, commencing April 5th.

Emma J. Fuller, Head Assistant in the Phillips School, commencing Sept. 1st.

Abby J. Glover, in a Primary School in the Quincy District, commencing Sept. 1st.

Rebecca W. Hitchings, in a Primary School in the Winthrop District, commencing Sept. 1st.

Quarterly Reports.

The Quarterly Reports of the Committees on the Normal, High Schools and Grammar School Districts were presented, read, and accepted, with the exception of the Report of the Committee on the English High School, for which the Chairman, Dr. Winthrop, asked and was granted further time.

No Quorum. Roll called.

Thereupon it appeared that there was no quorum present; and, agreeably to the Rules of the Board, the Roll was called, and the following named gentlemen were recorded as being absent, viz: Messrs. Ames, Brainard, Brewer, Briggs,

Coale, Eidman, Dana, Dennie, Duncan, Eaton, Sept. 9, 1862.
Eddy, Ellis, Ewen, Hinckley, Hooper, Jameson,
Leaman, Manning, Hendrick, Ordway, Paine,
Palmer of Ward 11, Pope, Randall, Read, Riley,
Russell, Ward 5, Shurtleff, Stevens, Hugo, Thomas,
Upham, Whiton, Wilson, Wentworth, the President
of the Board, and the President of the Common
Council: - Hon. Kimball of Ward 6 being in
the Chair.

The Board then, without transacting
any further business, adjourned.

Attest.

Barnard Capen, Secretary.

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A Meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held, by order of the President of the Board, at the City Hall, on Tuesday, Oct. 21st, 1862, at 4 o'clock P.M. The President of the Common Council in the Chair.

Members present. Present: The whole Board, except Messrs. Coleman, Dunn of Ward 8, Dunn of Ward 9, Duncan, Eaton, Green, Griffin, Kimball, Lamson, Manning, Newcomb, Powell, Paine, Parsons, Pope, Read, Riley, Rolfe, Rupp of Ward 7, Rupp of Ward 8, Shattuck, Shurtleff, Thayer, Upham, Whiton, Wilbur, Weld, and the President of the Board.

Committee on the Annual Report. The Quarterly Reports presented at the last Meeting were referred to the Committee to prepare the Annual Report of the School Committee; whereupon the Chair appointed, as follows: viz. Messrs. Swan, Eaton, Duncan, Ordway, Hoskins, Weld, and Thomas.

Confirmations. The following-named teachers, having finished their term of probation, were confirmed: viz. —

Everett School. Anna R. Clapp, Assistant in the Everett School.

Bigelow " Anna M. Wilson and Anna R. Thornton, Assistants in the Bigelow School, transferred from Primary Schools in the Lawrence District; said transfers to take effect from Nov. 1st, 1862.

Bowditch School, Lawrence Dist. Ann A. Lovell, Assistant in the Bowditch School, Lawrence District; Caroline F. Endicott, Primary, in the Lawrence District.

The following teachers were nominated to the Board as being on probation: viz. —

Julia Claflin, Assistant in the Hingham School, time of service commencing Sept. 1. 1862. — Oct. 21. 1862. Hingham School.

Frances A. Lee, and Elizabeth Light, Assistants in the Girls High and Normal School, comcg Sept. 1. — Girls High & Normal School.

Amanda R. Healy, Assistant in the Everett School, service commencing Oct. 1st 1862. — Everett School.

Amelia B. Hopkins, Head Assistant, and Abby L. Tucker, Assistant, in the Franklin School. — Franklin School.

Caroline Blanchard, Assistant in the Lawrence School, services commencing Sept. 1st, 1862. — Lawrence School.

Ellen M. Brown, Assistant in the Wells School, services commencing Sept. 1st, 1862. — Wells School.

Matilda Mitchell, and Abby L. Hutchings, in Primary Schools in the Winthrop District, commencing, the former Oct. 1st, the latter Nov. 1st, 1862. — Winthrop District.

Mr. Haynes, from the Committee on Salaries, submitted the following Report: — Report Com. on Salaries:

At a meeting of this Board, July 14th, the following Orders were submitted to the Committee on Salaries: — Ordered, That the sum of $49.31 be paid to Mr. Charles P. Otis, for services as Assistant Teacher in the Latin School, from April 21st to May 5th. Ordered, That the sum of $78.90 be paid to Mr. A. H. Davis, for services as Assistant Teacher in the Latin School, from May 7th to June 1st, 1862. — Salary of C. P. Otis. Services. — Latin School. A. H. Davis. Services.

The Committee have amended these orders, so that the amount to be paid shall be in accordance with the Rules; and, as amended, they recommend their passage. For the Committee, A. B. Hall. Chairman

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Report of Committee on Salaries, continued.

1. Ordered, That $45.00 be paid to Mr. Charles P. Otis, for services as temporary Usher in the Latin School, from April 21. to Dec. May 5th, 1862.

2. Ordered, That the sum of $52.50 be paid to Mr. F. W. Davis, for services as temporary Usher in the Latin School, from May 7th. to June 1. 1862.

Read, the Report accepted, and the Orders passed.

Winthrop District: Primary School Accommodations.

"Pudooning School Books."

Dr. Brewer submitted and read a Report of the Winthrop District Committee, relative to Primary School accommodations in that District; also in regard to the pudooning of school-books belonging to the City, and the sale of the same; and offered the following Orders:-

1. Ordered, That the Secretary be directed to communicate to the City Government the need of better accommodations for the pupils in the School Room over the Engine House, in East Street, and ask that one or more water closets may be provided within the building, for the wants of the pupils.

2. Ordered, That, in consideration of the serious injury to the morals of our youth, and the loss to the property of the city, arising from the facility with which stolen books can be disposed of at some of the second-hand book shops in Boston, the City Council be requested to consider the expediency of regulating the traffic in such articles by ordinance.

The latter Order was adopted. The first of the above was referred to the Committee on School Houses.

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Report of Committee on Text Books.

The Committee on Text Books, to whom their Annual Report was recommitted, with instructions to see if, on further conference, said Committee could not concur, by the necessary majority of two-thirds of their body, in recommending some changes, particularly in the text books in Grammar, for the adoption of this Board, have attended to the duty assigned them, and respectfully submit an additional Report:-

Since their former Report was prepared and presented, the new edition of Bullions Analytical and Practical Grammar has been published, and, although it does not seem to be on as thick, heavy paper as the specimen sheets which were sent for the examination of your committee, it is on very good paper, with good sized type, and correctly printed. So far as typographical execution is concerned, the objection against the book on this ground, noticed in the former Report, is removed. In the mean time, also, a new and improved edition, its typographical execution excellent, has been published of Bullions' Introduction to his Analytical and Practical Grammar. Your Committee have re-examined these books with considerable care, as they have also others, particularly Brown's Series, and Green's. All these books are good; each has its peculiar excellencies and defects. It would be easy to present them, and thus make out a strong argument for or against each or all of them; and,

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after going over that argument, and hearing all that could be said in and against each, it would be difficult to make up one's mind which to choose. One would be tempted to find relief, and escape responsibility, by "drying a coppa" in drawing lots. The question, however, so far as the Public Schools of our city are concerned, would, it is apprehended, lie chiefly between Bullions and Brown's books: it being generally found by experience, that Green is, however excellent for intelligent and advanced pupils, is too refined and subtle in its analysis for the usual class of scholars in our Grammar Schools. The books being all good, and worthy to be used as text-books, the essential point which we wish to reach is, uniformity and harmony in the series of books which we use, so that the pupil can pass easily and naturally from one to the other without confusion in his mind, or detriment to his progress, by new definitions, and to reach this uniformity and harmony with as little change and as much economy as is consistent with making the change wisely and well. Your Committee think that this can be best done by discontinuing Towers Elements of English Grammar in the Second and Third classes, and adopting "Bullions Introduction" to "Bullions Analytical and Practical Grammar", which is used in the First Class, and by the first Division of the Second Class. We should thus have two good Grammars, in harmony with each other, - the one introductory to the other. Your Committee are unanimous in recommending

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this change, and submit an order to carry it into effect.

While their former Report was under consideration, the matter of text-books in Arithmetic, noticed in the Report, was several times alluded to in the discussion. Your Committee have given this subject some further consideration.

The Superintendent, in one of his excellent Reports, two or three years ago, took the ground that there should be but one text-book in Arithmetic in use in our Grammar Schools; and set forth this principle so correctly and forcibly, that the Board soon passed a general order, that one text-book in Mental Arithmetic and one text-book in Written Arithmetic, and no more, should be used in our Public Schools. The Text-Book in Written Arithmetic, in the Grammar Schools, is Eaton's Arithmetic. It has been represented to your Committee, from various quarters, from some of the Masters, members of the District Committees, and from others whose judgment is entitled to great weight, that this book is not simple enough for the great mass of the pupils in the Grammar Schools, who are thus not carried forward easily, naturally, intelligently, in this department; and this is regarded by some, as the explanation of the fact that candidates from the Grammar Schools, at examinations for admission to the English High, and Girls' High

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and Normal Schools, fail more in Arithmetic than in any other department.

Your Committee are satisfied, on examination, that a simpler book, by the same author, would be better. They therefore recommend, by the requisite majority, that "Eaton's Common School Arithmetic" be adopted as the text book in the Grammar Schools, in the place of "Eaton's Arithmetic," and submit an order to that effect.

It is probable that the Opinion of the City Solicitor, as expressed and communicated in the former report, would sustain the Board in passing this order, and making this change, by simple majority vote; as the text book proposed to be introduced takes up the subject of Arithmetic as it were at an earlier point, - that is, teaches it in a simpler and more elementary manner than the one now in use.

One other point has been brought to the consideration of your Committee. In a Reading Book in the First Class in the Grammar Schools, the Regulations permit Holland's First Class Reader, or the Progressive Speaker and Common School Reader, at the election of the Sub Committee of each School. The result of the experiment and trial which has been permitted in regard to these two Reading Books, is that the Progressive Speaker and Reader has been entirely disposed by every District Committee, and is not now in use, as a Reading Book, in a single School in this city.

The Committee therefore recommend that it be disposed

from the regulations, and submit an Order to that effect. This Order can be adopted by a majority vote. Oct. 21, 1862. Report continued.

With these explanations the Committee present the following Orders for the adoption of the Board.

Respectfully submitted. For the Committee.

S. K. Lothrop, Chairman.

1. Ordered, That Chapter x. Sect. 9, of the Rules and Regulations be amended, by striking out "Town's Elements of English Grammar," and inserting "The Introduction to Bullions' Analytical and Practical Grammar," in the list of Studies for the 2nd and 3d Classes. Orders proposed. "Bullions' Analytical & Practical Grammar." "Introduction to.

2. Ordered, That Chapter x. Sect. 9, of the Rules and Regulations, be amended, in the list of Studies for the First Class, and for the Second Class, by striking out "Eaton's Arithmetic", and inserting "Eaton's Common School Arithmetic" "Eaton's Common School Arithmetic."

3. Ordered, That Chap. x. Sect. 9, of the Rules and Regulations, be amended, in the list of studies for the First Class, by striking out - "a in the Progressive Speaker and Common School Reader, at the election of the Sub Committee of each School." "Progressive Speaker and Common School Reader."

4. Ordered, That Chap. IV, Sect. 5, of the Revised Regulations, be so far suspended as to allow the changes in text-books, made by the foregoing Order, to go into operation forthwith. Changes in Text-Books: immediate operation of.

The Board voted to postpone till the next meeting, the consideration of the rest of the Order. Postponement.

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Orders adopted.

The Orders numbered "2" and "3" the Board adopted, viva voce. Upon the fourth Order no action was taken by the Board.

On motion of Dr. Lothrop,-

Voted to take from the table City Doc. No. 67; - being the Report of the Committee on Rules and Regulations on the subject of some uniform mode of examining candidates for teachers. (read June 23d.)

"Examination of Candidates for Teachers." Report on considered.

The Order offered by the Committee being under consideration, it was Voted, on motion of Mr. Parker, amended by Mr. Kimball of Ward 5, to amend the same, by adding thereto the following words: viz.- "whose duty it shall be to examine candidates for teachers, and prepare a list of qualified and accepted applicants; from which, District Committees may select, or not, at their pleasure."

The question was taken on the amended Order, and it was not adopted. Subsequently, on motion of Dr. Brewer, the Board reconsidered its vote whereby it refused to pass the Order; and, on motion of Mr. Kimball of Ward 10, assigned its consideration to the next quarterly meeting.

Dr. Townsend offered the following Order, and, on his motion the Rules were suspended and the Order passed:- Ordered, That the City Government be respectfully requested to purchase the brick building immediately in front of the new School House in Chardon Street, if, in their opinion, it can be obtained at a reasonable price.

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Services of Miss H. M. Nash, and Miss S. F. Copp.

Services of Miss Hannah M. Pembroke.

Services of Miss S. E. Green.

Ventilation:- what systems of, applied to School Houses.

Leave of absence of Teachers.

Dr. Hall offered the following:-

1. Ordered, That $39.00 be paid to Miss Helen M. Nash, and $39.00 to Miss Sarah F. Copp, for services as Assistants in the Hancock School, from June 1st to July 1st, 1862.

2. Ordered, That $38.00 be paid to Miss Hannah M. Pembroke, for teaching thirty eight days in the Primary School in Baldwin Place, Hancock District, from June 1st to July 19th, 1862. Both of which Orders were referred to the Committee on Salaries, who subsequently reported in favor of their adoption, and they were accordingly adopted.

The following was referred to the Committee on Salaries: Ordered, That there be paid to Miss Susan E. Green $35.00, for services as temporary teacher in the Green School, from Sept. 3d to Oct. 1st

Ordered, That the Committee on School Houses be, and hereby are, requested to ascertain, and report to this Board, what system or systems of Ventilation have been applied to the School Houses erected or re-modelled during the past year, and also, what system or systems are to be introduced into those now in process of erection; and their opinion as to the best system, with their reasons for such opinion. Offered by Mr. Parker, and adopted.

Ordered, That the Committee on Rules and Regulations consider the expediency of requiring, by express

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rule of the Board, that the term of leave of absence granted to teachers, by District Committees, shall, in no case, be for a longer period than three months, except by a special rule of this Board.

Detailed Statement of Instruction in Primary Schools.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Haynes, That a Special Committee of three be appointed, to prepare and report to the Board, in print, a more detailed statement than is now contained in the Rules and Regulations, of the instruction to be given in each grade of the Primary Schools. Messrs. Haynes, Dana, and A.D. Gould were appointed that Committee.

Resignation of Charles R. Codman.

The Chair read the resignation of Mr. Codman, as a member of the School Committee for Ward 9, and the same was placed on file.

Stanley and Conant. Petition of.

The Chair read the Petition of Messrs. Stanley and Conant, Proprietors of the Polemorama, or "Illustrations of the War," asking the privilege of visiting the Schools, and making arrangements for the pupils to attend the Exhibition. The paper was placed on file.

On motion of Dr. Lothrop the Meeting dissolved.

Attest:

Barnard Capen, Secretary.

Dec. 9. 1862.

A Quarterly Meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held at the City Hall, on Tuesday, the ninth day of December, 1862, at 4 o'clock P.M. The President in the Chair.

Absent Members.

Present, - The whole Board, except Messrs, Coale, Drew of Ward 8, Eaton, Eddy, Green, Griffin Hodges, Manning, Pope, Read, Riley, Russell of Ward 7, Russell of Ward 8, Stuges, Townsend, Upham, Willis and Woodbury.

Teachers confirmed.

The following Teachers were confirmed, having served the usual term of probation: viz. —

Latin School.

Alvan H. Davis, Usher in the Latin School.

Girls' High & Normal School.

Mary H. Davis, and Frances A. Cook, Assistants in the Girls' High and Normal School.

Adams "

Mrs E. H. C. Culver, Teacher of Sewing, Adams School, - services commencing Oct. 1st.

Bigelow School.

Julia Clapp, Assistant in the Bigelow School.

Annie E. Kimball, Assistant in the Bowdoin School.

Mary A. Davis, Head Assistant in the Boylston School, commencing Sept. 8th.

Ellen M. Fisher, Primary, in the Brimmer District.

Anna P. James, Assistant in the Brimmer School.

O. Augusta Welch, Assistant in the Eliot School.

Amelia B. Hopkins, Head Assistant, and Annie E. Parker, Assistant, in the Franklin School.

Sarah A. Everett, Frances J. Crocker, and Lucy M. Cate, in Primary Schools in the Franklin District.

Caroline Blanchard, Assistant in the Lawrence School.

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Sarah E. Varney, Primary, in the Lincoln District.
Emma J. Fuller, Head Assistant, Phillips Sc. School.
Abbie J. Glover, Primary, in the Quincy District.
Rebecca W. Hitchings, Primary, in the Winthrop Distt.

The following Teachers were nominated to the Board, as being on probation:

Eliza A. Wiggin, Assistant in the Adams School, commencing Oct. 1st.
Albertina G. Porter, in a Primary School in the Bowdoin District, commencing Oct. 13th.
Sarah J. March, Assistant in the Brimmer School, commencing Dec. 1st.
Helen M. Nash, Assistant in the Hancock School, commencing Sept. 8th.

The subject of a change in the text-book in Grammar, - referred to this from the last meeting, - was taken up. After a somewhat lengthy discussion in regard to the action taken by the Board at that meeting, upon the decision of the Chair that said action was not legal, and, on motion of Dr. Lothrop, the whole subject was laid upon the table.

The Order in regard to the examination of candidates for teachers, - the consideration of which was assigned to this meeting, - was taken from the table; and, the question being upon its passage, it was rejected.

Dr. Hall reported back the following Order, which

had been referred to the Committee on Salaries, & recommended its passage; Ordered. That Twenty-five Dollars be paid to Miss Susan E. Gunn, for services as temporary teacher in the Everett School, from Sept. 3d to Oct. 1st. The Order passed. Dec. 9. 1862.

The Quarterly Reports of the Committees on the three High Schools, and the Grammar School Districts, were read and accepted. The Semi Ann. Report of the Superintendent of Schools, for September, submitted at that time to the Board, was likewise accepted.

Dr. Shurtleff offered the following:-

Ordered. That the City Council be, and hereby are, respectfully requested to introduce into the Building for the Latin and English High Schools the same system of Ventilation as that recently applied to the Building for the Girls' High & Normal School.

Dr. Palmer of Ward 4. moved an amendment viz. to strike out all after the word Schools, in the third line, and insert "Robinson's System of Ventilation".

The amendment passed, and the Order as amended passed.

On motion of Mr. Burroughs, -

Ordered. That the Committee on Public Buildings of the City Council be requested to introduce, as soon as possible, Robinson's Ventilators into the Hall and entire rooms of the North Building of the Girls' High and Normal School; and to make such alterations in the Hall as will render it lighter, and

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Mr. Haynes offered the following, and the same was referred, with full powers, to the Committee on Accounts:-

Ordered, That a copy of Appleton's American Cyclopaedia be supplied to the Bowditch School, as a book of Reference.

On motion of Mr. Parker,-

Ordered, That the Committee on School Houses be directed to inquire into the expediency of providing a new School House for the use of the Primary Schools in the Boylston District; with full powers to apply for the same, to the proper City Authorities, in case they shall deem such application either necessary or proper.

Ordered: That the Primary District Committee be authorised to establish an additional Primary School in said District.

The Music Committee respectfully Report: That the Music Teachers employed in the Schools are attending to their duties with their accustomed ability. The Committee are at present engaged in carrying out the recommendations in regard to supplying the Schools with Piano-Fortes,- contained in a previous report, and adopted by the Board.

For the Chairman, and in behalf of the Committee. Aaron P. Richardson.

Read and accepted.

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Also, read and the following two Orders; viz.

1. Ordered. That Sixty four dollars be paid to Miss Mary A. Mansfield, for services as a Primary Teacher in Baldwin Place, Hancock District, from Sept. 15th, to Nov. 22nd, 1862.

2. Ordered; That Sixty six dollars be paid to Miss Mary A. Barry, for services as Assistant in the Hancock School, from Sept. 15th, to Dec. 6. 1862. Both of which were referred to the Committee on Salaries.

In the early part of the year the following order was referred to a special Committee:- Ordered, That a Special Committee, consisting of the Chairmen of the Bowditch, Boylston, Brimmer, Quincy and Winthrop Sub-District Committees, be appointed to consider and report upon the expediency of re-distribution of the Primary Schools under the charge of those District Committees among their several Districts.

Your Committee, inasmuch as the primary schools referred to had been already assigned for the municipal year, to their respective sub-committees, have not considered it expedient to propose any plan for their re-distribution until the present time.

They find seventy two schools, to be divided among the five districts; of which the Boylston has twenty four, the Brimmer thirteen, the Quincy twenty, and the Winthrop fifteen; which to the new District, the Bowditch, now have ten not assigned}

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An equal distribution of the schools would give to each district an average of 14; and, as this arrangement would tend to insure the most efficient supervision of them, due regard has been paid to it, only such modifications have introduced.

An attempt has been made to do away, as far as possible with the anomaly of placing under the charge of District Committees schools which are located entirely outside of the boundaries of those Districts. After much consideration and after thoroughly weighing the advantages of various plans, your Committee respectfully recommend the adoption of the following arrangement:-

Divide the 24 schools of the Bayside District between that and the Bonditch, assigning to the latter the six schools in High Street Place, the three in High Street, and the three in Bolshaw Lane, making twelve in all, and leaving to the former the remaining twelve. This is a smaller number for each District the average suggested, but it will soon be increased by the new schools now much needed in these Districts; while no others within a reasonable distance can be added without making the number unmanageable for either these Districts. To the Brimmer District, add to its present thirteen schools the three in Orange Street, now belonging to the Quincy District, making sixteen in all. This arrangement, it is true, necessitates an overstepping of the bound-

ing of the District, but it is the only instance re-
commended by your Committee, and it is merely
for the distance of a single block, and seems una-
voidable, as no other schools are convenient to
near, nor can any others be selected without in-
terfering with the existing system of classifica-
tion. For the Quincy District, add to the four
schools in East St. Place the thirteen in East Street,
now belonging to the Winthrop District, though
situated outside of its territorial limits; thus com-
pleting the civil, and retaining the Quincy District
by substituting seventeen schools, for its present
number of twenty, - all within a stones throw
of each other, and all prepared for classification
together. For the Winthrop District, add the
thirteen schools remaining in the Quincy District,
after the changes already indicated, to the two
left in this District after detaching the thir-
teen in East Street; thus making no alteration
in its present number of fifteen schools.

This, it will be perceived, is the principal change
recommended by your Committee, but the rea-
sons for it seem to them mighty and suffi-
cient. It seems to be a needless inconvenience
for the group of schools in East Street and East
St. Place to be divided between two distinct dis-
trict committees, often composed of different
persons, and that the larger portion of them should
be under the control of the Winthrop Committee,
though situated in the Quincy District. This

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is an evil which has remained, from the time of the change of the district boundary consequent upon the erection of the new Winthrop School-house; as the old Winthrop building was remodelled into a Primary School building, and all the schools have continued ever since under the charge of that committee. It seems to your Committee that now is the proper time to make the needed change.

In all these propositions your Committee have regarded only what they believe to be for the interest of the schools, without considering the personal preferences of themselves or others.

They are aware that some of the changes may not, perhaps, be agreeable to all members, but this was found to be equally true of every system of management proposed, and is inseparable from all improvement. They accordingly respectfully recommend the adoption of the accompanying Order.

For the Committee,

Henry W. Haynes, Chairman.

Ordered, That, at the beginning of the ensuing Municipal year the following changes be made in the distribution of Primary Schools among the Districts named; viz. that the schools in High Street, High St. Place, and Belcher Lane be transferred from the Boylston to the Bunker Hill District; that the schools in East Orange Street be transferred from the Quincy to the Brimmer District; that the schools in Tyler Street, Hudson

Street, and Harrison Avenue be transferred from the Quincy to the Winthrop District; and that the schools in East Street be transferred from the Winthrop to the Quincy District. Dec. 9. 1862.

After brief consideration of the above plan, the subject was, on motion of Dr. Richardson, laid on the table.

On motion of Dr. Richardson,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Bowdoin District be authorized to form a new Primary District, to be located in Blossom Street.

Dr. Richardson offered the following:—

Ordered, That Miss Eunice Kason be paid six dollars for services as temporary teacher in the Bowdoin District, from Sept. 15th, to Sept. 20th, inclusive; that Miss Lucretia Drew be paid six dollars for like services from Sept. 8th to Sept. 13th, inclusive; that Lucy E. Burgess be paid six dollars for like services from Sept. 15th to Sept. 20th, inclusive; that Martina G. Porter be paid six dollars for like services from Sept. 22nd to Sept. 27th, inclusive; that Miss A. M. Morris be paid twelve dollars for like services from Sept. 29th to Oct. 11th, inclusive. Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Thereupon it appeared that there was not a quorum present; and the Chair agreeably to the Rules of the Board, ordered the Roll to be called, and the names of the absent members to be re-

Dec. 9. 1862. ended; whereby it appeared that the following named gentlemen were absent; viz, Messrs Ames, Brainard, Briggs, Cate, Cobb, Dean of Ward Eight, Duncan, Eaton, Eddy, Gould of Ward Eight, Green, Griffin, Hinckley, Hooper, Kidder, Kimball of Ward Five, Leonard, Manning, Murdock, Palmer of Ward Three, Pope, Read, Rich, Riley, Robbe, Russell of Ward Seven, Rysell of Ward Eight, Simonds, Spence, Stevens, Stockbridge, Sturgis, Townsend, Upham, Wilbur, and Woodbury; and that there were but thirty-six gentlemen present.

The Board then adjourned.

Attest:

Barnard Capen, Secretary.

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A Special Meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held at the City Hall, on Tuesday, the thirtieth day of December, 1862, at 4 o'clock P.M. The President of the Board in the Chair.

Present. - The whole Board except Messrs. Briggs, Brown, Cate, Dunn of Ward 8, Eaton, Eddy, Gould of Ward 8, Green, Hinckley, Harper, Manning, Murdock, Powell, Paine, Parsons, Pope, Read, Riley, Rupell of Ward 7, Rockwood, Stowell, Townsend, Upham, Wheton, Wilbur, Woodbury.

Miss Helen M. Nash was confirmed as an Assistant in the Hancock School.

Ellen M. Brown, an Assistant in the Wells School, and Elizabeth W. Snow, a Primary Teacher in the Wells School District, were likewise confirmed.

Ellen J. Bishop was nominated as an Assistant in the Chapman School, commencing Sept. 1st 1862.

Mary L. Kanefield was nominated as a Primary Teacher in the Hancock District, from Dec. 1st

Caroline F. Litchfield, commencing Nov. 13th, & Abby M. Allen, commencing Sept. 24th, were nominated as Primary Teachers in the Lyman District.

Dr. Lothrop presented a petition from Mrs Harriet A. Dow - late a Primary Teacher in the Quincy School District, - asking the Board to appoint a Committee to investigate the matters herein named, and give her a hearing thereon, and an opportunity

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to meet her accusers and refute the charges that have been made; and moved a suspension of the Rules to allow the subject to be considered at this stage of the business of the meeting. The motion to suspend the Rules prevailed. Dr. Lothrop then read the communication from Miss Dow.

The Chair stated (no motion being made) that the question before the Meeting was upon appointing the Committee, as asked for by the petitioners.

The Chair also read a communication from parents and guardians of children under Miss Dow's instruction, asking that she be re-instated.

A lengthy discussion of the subject was concluded by the adoption of a motion made by Mr. Haynes, to lay the petitions upon the table.

Dr. Hall from the Committee on Salaries, reported, recommending the passage of Orders referred to the Committee: viz. to pay to Miss Mary A. Bancroft sixty six dollars, to Mary A. Mansfield $64.00, Eunice Mason, Lucretia Crew, Lucy J. Burgess, and Martina G. Porter, each, the sum of $6.00, and Miss A. M. Hunter $12.00, for services as temporary teachers. The said Orders were adopted

Ordered, on motion of Dr. Lothrop, - That the Orders reported by the Committee on Text Books, in relation to changes in the text books in Grammar and Arithmetics, be referred to the next Board.

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Mr. Sutton submitted the Annual Report of the School Committee: and, on his motion, it was

Ordered, That the Report of the Committee to prepare the Annual Report, this day submitted, be accepted by the Board, and that the usual number of copies thereof be printed for distribution, under the direction of said Committee.

On motion of Mr. Haynes the Order, reported by the Committee on the subject, at the last meeting, providing for a re-distribution of the Primary Schools in the Boylston, Bowditch, Quincy, Winthrop and Winthrop Districts, was taken from the table, and adopted.

Mr. Thomas offered the following;-

Ordered, That the thanks of this Board be tendered to His Honor the Mayor, for the ability with which he has discharged the duties of its presiding officer, and for his uniform kindness, courtesy, and impartiality towards its members. Passed, unanimously, - the members rising, and standing in their places. To which the Chair made suitable response.

On motion of Dr. Winthrop, -

Ordered, That the thanks of this Board be presented to Joshua D. Ball Esq., President of the Common Council, for his hearty interest in the Public Schools of the city; for his punctual attendance on the meetings of this Board; and for the

Dec. 30. 1862. distinguished ability, courtesy, dignity, and impartiality with which he has presided over its deliberations, when called to do so by the absence of the President.

On motion of Mr. Kimball, of Ward 10.

Ordered, That there be paid to Mr. Oliver H. Spurr, for his services as Messenger to this Board, the past year, the sum of $300.00, - the same as was paid to him the previous year.

Ordered, - on motion of Mr. Kimball of Ward 10, That all unfinished of this Board be referred to the next School Board.

Thereupon, on motion of Mr. Palmer of Ward 4, the Board adjourned.

Attest:

Barnard Capen, Secretary.

Franklin - Medal Awarded.

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Latin School.

Hiett P. Wingate
Merrifield Story
Matthew Watkins
Edward H. Clark
Charles E. Hatton
Henry M. Tate
Henry Rolfe

English High School.

William H. Whitcomb
John H. Beck
William J. Gunnison
William Rogers
George F. Williams Jr.
Arthur Hilant
Charles F. Baxter

Adams School.

Damon C. Porter
John Lothrop Jr.

Bigelow School.

John Kohr
Daniel C. Coughlin

Boylston School.

Thomas F. Butler
Horace J. Canty
Horace J. Crowley
John B. Eastman
William S. Gorman
William H. Mahoney
John H. Mahoney
Patrick J. McCarthy
James B. Sullivan
James F. R. Wallace

Bunker School.

Francis W. Brewer
Eliot B. Hayes
Daniel E. McCurdy
Henry F. Milliken
George E. Munroe
George W. Rand
Alfred H. Rogers
Frank C. Smith
Henry B. Spitz
Warren H. Swett
Joseph Willett

Chapman School.

Joseph A. Wells
Horace C. Barnes
Alonzo W. Damon
A. Sidney Crocker

Dwight School.

David A. Simon
Richard Crowley
Theodore H. Gove
George C. Lewis
Arthur W. Cooper

John S. Cole
George W. B. Curtiss
Edward S. Tufford
William M. Paul
Joseph W. Gallagher
John C. Griffith.

Eliot

James F. Snelling
William C. Turner
James F. Burch
Edwin J. Veteh
Patrick G. A. C. Dennett
George C. Jenkins
Roger F. Hinson
Charles C. Whitlock
Albert F. Perkins
William H. Truitt
Charles F. Turner Jr.
Joseph H. Green

Lawrence

Chester I. Jones
William H. Tripp
John P. Hume
Enos M. Sheffield
William F. Indan
Joseph F. Howard

Lincoln

Richard Monks
William Brumhill

Lyman

H. P. C. W. Fisher
Albert C. Prince

Mayhew

Charles C. Phillips
Charles F. Newell
Alfred M. Richardson
Edward H. Martin
Charles F. Rupell
Edwin P. Gray
Joseph R. Tibby
Patrick J. A. C. Dennett.

Phillips

Daniel C. Newell
Oscar F. Newell
George F. Bugs
William B. Leonard
Henry G. Hawes
Loring Lothrop Jr.
Thomas G. Johnson
Leonard B. Marshall
B. K. Hough Jr.

Quincy.

Henry K. Barnes
William L. Balch
James F. Bliss
Edward H. Cobb
L. Albert Freeman
Charles F. Gardner
Florence J. Holland

Wentworth L. Littlefield
Charles E. Lawrence
Cyrus A. Page
Benjamin F. Perry
Frank P. Pierce
J. P. Shutten.

William H. Whitney.

City Medals awarded.

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Adams School.

Lucy E. C. Shattuck
Eliza B. Spare
L. Augusta Foster
Alvina M. C. Anderson
Eliza H. Cutler
Inna A. Ray

Bigelow

Frances I. Fernald
Rosilla E. Ellis
Margaret A. Gleason
Frances E. Hart
Mary H. Cashman
Helen A. Burnham
Philena Baker
Sarah H. Brown
Emma H. Houston
Abigail E. Nickerson

Bowditch.

Ann T. McGrath
Elizabeth J. Sullivan
Bridget M. Hussey
Minnie M. A. Lawless

Margaret A. Barry
Honorah E. Buckley
Martha A. Thompson
Elizabeth M. Chesswell

Bowdoin

Grace Allen
Ellen M. Hawley
Justine L. Hutchins
Mary A. Litchfield
Cynthia J. Gleason
Evelina L. Robbins
Emily F. Tinkham
Inman E. Spinney
Ella G. Whitman

Chapman

Delia M. Thompson
Barona M. Thayer
Lucy A. Hunt
Helen L. Brown
M. Augusta Bragdon
Sarah J. Sampson
Sarah J. Carver
Mary A. Bunn

Everett

Lizzie Cunningham Porter
Florence Marshall
Lucy R. Woods
Anna B. Thompson
Celia E. Harris
Agnes M. Dennis
Harriet E. Nutt
Mary J. Haslet
Adelaide L. White

Franklin

Jennie A. Benson
Eliza J. Blair
Amanda F. Clark
Eliza B. Gillespie
Frances V. Hitchcock
Mary R. Hunnewell
Henrietta Jenkins
Roxanna May
Amanda C. Morton
Susan A. Rogers
Anna R. Tilton

Hancock

Helen F. Turner
Ann M. McCann
Bethiah N. Atwood
Emma J. Allen
Catharine E. Mooney
Amelia A. Marks
Isabella A. Miller
Helen L. Clark

Louisa Doolittle
Annie L. Carpenter
Harriet F. Tilton
Sarah E. Ward
Mary E. Rosen

Lawrence

Isabel A. Bickna
Sarah A. Gallagher
Catharine M. Lynch
Sarah L. Kingman
Anna L. Copeland
Pamela W. Howes
Susan M. O'Kina

Lincoln

Elizabeth P. Chittenden
Laura A. Neilson
Mary L. Lufkin
Emily T. Smith
Clara J. Dickson
Sarah A. Toben
Lydia F. Birch
Caroline Spencer

Lyman

Eldorette M. Andrews
Georgiana Read
Sarah E. Romney
Eliza R. Noyes
Mary B. Cline

Wells.

Annie K. Adams
Adelaide M. Adams
Susan R. Barnard
Emma Doyle
Charlotte I. Ehlin
Eliza M. L. Evert
Carrie S. Griffin
Julia A. Stevens

Winthrop

Martha E. Abbott
Lucy J. Benneseale
Emma L. Call
Frances A. Craigen
Adelaide L. Cobb
Stella D. Hall
Daniel G. Hatch
Sarah L. Holt
Sarah E. Maynard
Emma F. Mills
Amy J. Palmer
Mary V. C. Ward
Kate W. Walker
Eliza M. Wood

Jan. 12. 1863.

A Meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the Common Council Chamber, City Hall, (Building of the Massachusetts Charitable Mechanics Association, Bedford Street,) on Monday, the twelfth day of January, 1863, at 5 o'clock P.M. by order of the Mayor, for the organization of the Board for the current Municipal year. His Honor the Mayor, President of the Board, in the Chair.

The members of the Board who retain their seats this year, are as follows: -

Ward 1. Benjamin Seaverns
Atkins B. Hall
Martin Griffin

2. J. Harvey Woodbury
Frederick Kidder
John C. Webb
Samuel J. Webb

3 John N. Murdock
Samuel H. Randall
Edw. D. G. Palmer
Benjamin F. Gould

4. Ruth'n B. Shuttleff
Ezra Palmer
John T. Lawson
John T. Stevens

5. William E. Townsend
William Edw. Cate

John S. Jarvis
David P. Kimball

6. Robert W. Hooper
Russell Sturgis Jr.
J. Baxter Upham
John C. Stockbridge

7. Le Baron Russell
Charles F. Luna
Charles G. Herman
John F. Cidway

8. Augustus A. Gould
Thomas M. Brewer
Henry W. Haynes

9 Joseph L. Drew
Ezra F. Gannett
William E. Underwood

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10.	Otis Kimball		Frederic T. Thayer
	James Dennie		William H Thames
	Enoch C. Rolfe	12.	John Duncan
	Salem T. Lamb		Alvan Simonds
11.	King Bunong Jr.		Edwin Biggs
	Alden Speare		Benjamin Pope.

All of the foregoing members were present, except Messrs. Biggs, Hawes, Hooper, Hunlock, Pope, Rolfe, Thwing and Upham.

In addition to the above the following newly elected members appeared, and took their seats: viz. Hon. Frederic W. Lincoln Jr, Mayor, President of the Board.

George T. Hale Esq. President of the Common Council

Ward 1.	George F. Haskins	Ward 7.	
	Horace Dodd		George Hayward Jr.
2.	J. Wiley Hinckley	8.	
	Thomas D. Desmond.		Edmund T. Eastman
3.	Aaron P. Richardson	9.	Elisha Bassett
	George Hubbard		Charles Torrey
4.	Dexter S. King	10.	Henry W. Harrington
	Ithridge A. Field		Stephen G. Emery
5.	Francis Brown	11.	William H. Learned Jr.
	Henry Warren		Matthias Rich Jr.
6.	Samuel K. Lothrop	12.	J. Proctor Haskins
	George H. Jarbury		Edmund H. Brainard.

and George L. Richie, in place of Thomas Ewer, deceased; and Stephen G. Perkins, in place of John B. Wiley, deceased.

Jan. 12, 1863 The President called the Meeting to order, and, at his request, Prayer was offered by Rev. Mr. Burroughs.

The Chair appointed Messrs Sunbury, Drew of Ward 9, and Randall, a Committee to collect the Certificates of newly elected members; who proceeded to that duty, and reported the names of twenty-five gentlemen, whose certificates they had received, and who appeared to be duly elected for their respective terms of service. The Report was accepted.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Thayer, Dana, and Kimball of Ward 5, a Committee to collect the ballots for a Secretary for the ensuing year; who reported that the whole No. of votes was 59, all of them for Mr. Barnard Capen, who was declared elected.

On motion of Mr. Randall, it was voted that the salary of the Secretary for the year be the same as for the past year; viz. $1000.00.

The Chair appointed the Standing Committees for the year, and the same were approved by the Board, as follows:-

Committee on Elections, Messrs. Drew of Ward 9, Pejsenden, Griffin, Brainard & Lawson.

Rules and Regulations, Messrs. Sunbury, Dana, Edmand, Gannett, and Homans.

Salaries, Messrs. Hall, Woodbury, Brown, Simonds, and Hooper.

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Accounts, Messrs. Rolfe, Dana of Ward 8, Colt, Haynes and Kimball of Ward 5.

Text Books, Messrs. Lothrop, Burroughs Palmer of Ward 4, Jarvis & Hendrick.

School Houses, Messrs. Kimball of Ward Ten, Shuttleff, Brewer, Stockbridge & Underwood.

Music, Messrs. Upham, Russell, Richardson, Gould of Ward 8, and Cook.

Printing, Messrs. Townsend, Hannington, Ordway, Randall and Stevens.

Eaton School, the President of the Common Council, and Messrs. Haskins, of Ward 1, Colt, Palmer of Ward 3, Shuttleff, Cook, Tuxbury, Homans, Haynes, Steele, Kimball of Ward Ten, Thayer and Duncan.

English High School, the President of the Common Council, and Messrs. Griffin, Noble, Randall, King, Townsend, Lothrop, Dana, Dunn of Ward 8, Underwood, Lamb, Spicer & Briggs.

Girls High and Normal School, Messrs. Hall, Woodbury, Murdock, Palmer of Ward 4, Jarvis, Hooper, Russell, Brewer, Gould of Ward 8, Gannett, Rolfe, Burroughs and Pope.

Adams School District, Messrs. Colt, Hinckley, Noble, Woodbury, Kidder, Gould of Ward 3, and Desmond.

Bigelow School District, Messrs. Simonds, Duncan, Briggs, Pope, Brainard, Haskins, of Ward 1, Emery.

Bowditch School District, Messrs. Haynes, Bumpus, Riley, Dana, Lothrop, Raymond, Bassett, Ordway & Field.

Jan. 12, 1863. Bowdoin School District. Messrs. Richardson, Hopkins, Shuttleff, Hepham, Townsend, Sturgis, Dana, Lamson, Field and Tuxbury.

Boylston School District. Messrs. Homans, Russell, Riley, Sturgis, Dana, Ordway, Toney, Lamson, Hayward and Eastman.

Brimmer School District. Messrs. Gould of Ward 8, Kimball of Ward 10, Gannett, Kelly, Daml. Toney, Bassett, Hannington and Steele.

Chapman School District. Messrs. Noble, Woodbury, Hinckley, Cobb, Kidder, Gould of Ward 3, and Demond.

Dwight School District. Messrs. Leonard, Drew of Ward 9, Thayer, Rich, Dennie, Shute, Thomes, Steele, Emery and Lamb.

Eliot School District. Messrs. Palmer of Ward 3, Hall, Haskins of Ward 1, Sylvester, Stevens, Gould of Ward 3, Griffin, Ricker, Dodd, and Hanson.

Everett School District. Messrs. Rich, Shute, Burroughs, Dennie, Drew of Ward 9, Leonard, Thayer, Thomes, Lamb, & Emery.

Franklin School District. Messrs. Burroughs, Drew of Ward 9, Thayer, Leonard, Rich, Dennie, Shute, Thomes, Underwood, and Rolfe.

Hancock School District. Messrs. Hall, Palmer of Ward 1, Haskins of Ward 1, Richardson, Sylvester, Griffin, Stevens, Ricker, Dodd, King and Hubbard.

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Laurence School District. Messrs. Brainard, Duncan, Simonds, Briggs, Pope, Haskins of Wd. 12, Emery.

Lincoln School District. Messrs. Duncan, Simonds, Pope, Briggs, Brainard, Haskins of Ward 12, Jones & Emery.

Lyman School District. Messrs. Hinckley, Wadsworth, Noble, Cobb, Riddle, Tyler, Jenden, and Dimond.

Mayhew School District. Messrs. Townsend, Newman, Murdock, Veale, Brown, Fanson and Hubbard.

Phillips School District. Messrs. Stockbridge, Upham, Lothrop, Sturgis, Brown, Jarvis, King, and Kimball of Ward 5.

Quincy School District. Messrs. Riley, Brown, Drew of Ward 8, Dennie, Underwood, Eastman, Hayward, DeBois, Jones, and Harrington.

Wells School District. Messrs. Jarvis, Stockbridge, Randall, Veale, Murdock, Kimball of Ward 5, Gould of Wd. 3, Brown & Warren.

Winthrop School District. Messrs Brown, Drew of Ward 8, Rolfe, Emmett, Kimball of Wd. 10, Lamb, Haynes, Palmer of Wd. 4, DeBois & Bassett.

On motion of Dr. Hall, Voted to adopt the Rules and Regulations of the last Board until otherwise ordered.

On motion of Dr. Lothrop, Voted to take from the table the Report of the

Jan. 12. 1863. Committee on Text Books, referred to this Board at the last meeting of the previous Board.

The question was taken upon the first of the Orders submitted by the Committee, - to adopting the "Introduction to Watkins's Analytical and Practical Grammar" for the Second and Third Classes, in place of "Town's Elements of English Grammar"; and the Chair declared the passage of the Order.

The question was then taken upon the second Order: viz to substitute "Eatons Common School Arithmetic" in place of "Eatons's Arithmetic." The Order did not pass. The third Order was adopted, striking out the "Progressive Speaker and Common School Reader." The fourth Order was amended, to read as follows:- "That Chap. IV. Sect. 8. of the Rules and Regulations, be so far suspended as to allow the changes in text-books, made by the foregoing Orders, to go into operation after the March Vacation" The Order as amended was adopted.

The Board refused to adopt a motion, made by Dr. Shurtleff, to reconsider its vote whereby the first of the above-named Orders was adopted.

Lt. Hall offered the following two Orders, and they were refered to the Committee on Rules & Regulations:

1. Ordered, That Sect. 4, Chap. X. of the Rules and Regulations be amended, in the tenth line, by substituting the word twelve, for "ten."

2. Ordered, That the Rules be so amended that, after the present school-year, no pupil shall be

allowed to attend the Public Schools who resides be- Jan. 12. 1863.
yond the limits of the city.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Burroughs, - That the Committee on Rules and Regulations ascertain, and report to this Board at its next meeting, whether Chap. VIII. Sect. 29, of the Regulations, is in accordance with the laws of this Commonwealth.

Ordered, on motion of Dr. Lothrop, - That the Committee on Printing be authorized, if, in their judgment, the same is expedient, to prepare, for the use of this Board, a Manual, or Directory, giving, in full, the organization of the several High School and District Committees.

Ordered, - on motion of Dr. Brewer, - That a special Committee of five be appointed to take into consideration, and report upon, the expediency of associating with the names of distinguished citizens who have interested themselves in the well-being of our Public Schools, the Primary School Houses belonging to the city.

The Chair appointed the following as the Committee, viz. - Messrs. Brewer, Burroughs, Gannett, Hall and Cobb.

Ordered, on motion of Dr. Gannett, That a special Committee of five be appointed to consider whether any, and, if any, what, changes might be beneficially introduced, in the manner of conducting

Jan. 12, 1863. the annual Exhibitions of the Grammar Schools, and also the Annual Festival; and report at the next meeting of this Board. The Chair appointed as Messrs. Bennett, Rafferty, Dacey of Ward 19, Duncan, and Kimball of Ward 10, as that Committee.

Voted, on motion of Mr. Kimball of Ward 10, That the matter referred to the consideration of the Committee on School Houses, last year, be again referred.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Sullivan, - That the Committee on Rules & Regulations be directed to prepare for the use of this Board a new edition of the Rules & Regulations, - incorporating all additions made thereto since the last edition thereof was printed.

The Chair read the resignation of Hon. Benjamin Pope as a member of the Board from Ward 12, which was accepted. Mr. Duncan offered the following: Whereas, a vacancy exists in this Board, caused by the resignation of Hon. Benjamin Pope, of Ward XII. - Ordered: That a message be sent to the Mayor and Aldermen, proposing a Convention of both Boards on Tuesday, the 27th inst, at 4 o'clock P.M., for the purpose of filling said vacancy; and that public notice be given thereof, pursuant to law. Voted, and the Chair appointed as Messrs. Duncan & Simonds of Ward 12, & Messrs. Keenan, Dixon and Dennis, at large, a Committee to nominate a candidate for filling the vacancy.

Thereupon, on motion of Dr. Hill the Board adjourned. Attest: Barnard Capen, Secretary.

A Meeting of the Joint Committee of the City of Boston was held at the City Hall, on Tuesday, the 27th day January, 1863, at four o'clock P.M. for the purpose, in Convention with the Mayor and Aldermen, of filling a vacancy in the Board caused by the resignation of Benjamin Pope of Ward 12: and also for the transaction of any other business that might come before the Meeting. His Honor the Mayor, President of the Board, in the Chair.

Present, The whole Board except Messrs. Brown, Cook, Dow of Wards 5, Field, Gunnett, Griffin, Haskins of Ward 1, Keeper, Kelland, Kidder, Kimball, Kendall, Riley, Shurtleff, Stackbridge, Sturgis, Townsend and Upham.

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The Chair read the acceptance of the Mayor and Aldermen of the proposition for a Convention, and thereupon the Convention was held. Mr. Duncan, from the Committee to nominate a candidate for filling the vacancy, reported the name of Mr. Choate Burnham.

The Chair appointed Alderman Paul, and Messrs. Dennie and Haynes a Committee to collect the ballots; who proceeded to that duty, and reported the whole No. of votes to be 56; necessary for a choice 29; that Mr. Choate Burnham had 36, Francis H. Underwood 5, Harrison Hayes 1. The Chair declared Mr. Burnham elected. Whereupon the Convention dissolved.

The following teachers were confirmed; viz.

Eliza A. Higgins, Primary, in the Adams District.

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Amanda R. Kelly, Assistant in the Everett School.
Ella L. Tucker, Assistant in the Franklin School.

The following were nominated as on probation:-
Jane Lyon, in a primary school in the Bigelow District, commencing Dec. 16. 1862.
Miss L. A. Dodd, in a primary school in the Bowdoin District, commencing Dec. 31. 1862.
Mary Foster, Head Assistant in the Eliot School, commencing Dec. 1st. 1862.
Ann M. Hewett, in a primary school in the Lawrence District, commencing Nov. 1. 1862.

Ordered,- on motion of Dr. Lothrop,- That His Honor, the President of this Board, the President of the Common Council, and the Superintendent of Public Schools, be joined to the Committee on Text Books, to constitute a Committee to apply to the Legislature for such amendment of the law of 1858, in relation to changes in Text Books in the Public Schools, as shall restore to School Committees of the Commonwealth, and especially to the School Committee of this city, the power of acting upon this, as upon other subjects, by a majority of their number; of which power, to the inconvenience of said Committees, to the detriment of the Public Schools, and in violation of the great principle that underlies the whole fabric of our civil institutions, the present law deprives them.

Ordered, on motion of Dr. Lothrop,- That the City Council be requested to provide that the walls and

ceiling of the new Hall of the English High School to be decorated with ornamental paintings &c., after the manner of the old Hall, and at an expense equal to the amount spent in said decorations of the old Hall by the Association of the Alumni of said School.

On motion of Dr. Lothrop the Rules were suspended, and the following Order was adopted: —

Ordered, That hereafter a Diploma be presented to every pupil graduating at the English High School, and honorably completing its course of studies; and that the Committee on that School be authorized to procure the engraving of such a Diploma as they may deem suitable for the purpose.

Mr. Colt offered the following Order, and it was referred to the Committee on Salaries: Ordered, That Eliza A. Wiggin, Primary teacher in the Adams District, be allowed the maximum salary from the date of her re-election.

On motion of Mr. Colt the following Order was passed under a suspension of Rules: Ordered, That the Chapman School Dist. Committee have permission to employ an Usher in said School.

Ordered, on motion of Dr. Palmer of Ward 3, That the City Council be requested to furnish Robinson's Ventilation for the new Primary School Building in process of erection in North Bennet Street.

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Ordered, on motion of Mr. Thayer, - That the Committee on Rules and Regulations be requested to consider and report, whether any changes are necessary in the Rules and Regulations, whereby it shall be more explicitly stated on what occasions, and by what authority, the Schools may be dismissed, otherwise than is at present indicated in Chap. VIII. Sect. 35, and Chap. IX. Sect. 8, of the present Rules.

Mr. Burroughs offered the following:-

Ordered, That Chap. VIII. Sect. 34 be amended by striking out, in the third and fourth lines, the words "of the Girls' High and Normal School on the Tuesday"; also, That Chap. VIII. Sect. 35 be amended by inserting, after the word "Exhibitions," in the tenth line, the following words: "to the Girls' High and Normal School, from the Monday following the third Wednesday in July, to the Saturday next preceding the second Monday in September." - Referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Brainard, - That the Committee on Rules and Regulations consider the expediency of so amending Sect. 7, Chap. 1 of the Rules, as to require that the Committee to nominate candidates to fill vacancies in this Board shall have upon it at least three members from the Ward where the vacancy exists.

On motion of Dr. Bunce it was

Ordered, That the Committee on School Houses take into consideration the subject of the need of suitable entrance to the Primary Schools in Barnstable Court.

and report what action is desirable on the part of this Board. Jan. 27. 1863.

Mr. Haynes moved, and it was voted, to take from the files the Order of Oct. 21st, for a Committee to report upon the instruction to be given in the Primary Schools.

The Board again adopted the Order, and the Chair appointed the original Committee: viz. Messrs. Haynes, Dana and Gould of Ward 8.

On motion of Mr. Haynes it was

Ordered, That the Chairmen of the various Grammar School District Committees report, in their next Quarterly Reports, the number of children supplied with books at the public expense in their respective Districts, and the regulations and conditions under which they are supplied.

On motion of Dr. Hall,

Ordered, That the Committee on Rules and Regulations be requested to prepare, and submit to this Board, a revised copy of the Rules & Regulations before the same be printed for general distribution.

The Chair appointed Mr. Burnham on the Committees on the Girls' High and Normal School, and the Bigelow, Lawrence and Lincoln School Districts, to fill vacancies caused by the resignation of Mr. Pope; also, Mr. Dellois on the Bunker Hill School District, in place of Mr. Bazeley excused from serving thereon.

The Board then adjourned.

Attest:

Barnard Capen, Secretary.

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A Quarterly Meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held at the City Hall, on Tuesday, the 10th day of March, 1863, at 4 o'clock P.M. The President in the Chair.

Present. The whole Board except Messrs. Coale, Lamond, Dana of Ward 8, Dana of Ward 9, Duncan, Gould of Ward 3, Kuhland, Kimball of Ward 10, Lamb, Lamson, Murdock, Noble, Palmer of Ward 4, Richer, Riley, Rupell, Stevens, Sturgis, Underwood, & Upham.

The Secretary being absent, on motion of Mr. Thayer Mr. John L. Philbrick was appointed Secretary pro tem.

The following Teachers, having served the usual term of probation, were confirmed:-

Miss M. Davis, Writer in the Latin School.

Ellen J. Bishop, Assistant in the Chapman School.

Lucy Foster, Head Assistant in the Eliot School.

Abby E. Hill, and Caroline F. Litchfield, in Primary Schools in the Lyman District.

Abby F. Hutchins, in a Primary School in the Quincy District.

The following teachers were nominated for confirmation:-

Mary Minnie, Assistant in the Bigelow School, commencing March 1. 1863.

Martha E. Young, Head Assistant in the Bowdoin School, commencing March 2nd. 1863.

Sarah Pope, and Virginia A. L. Eliot, Assistants in the Bowditch School, commencing March 2nd. 1863.

Frank A. Tubbs, Master, and E. Frances Whitney, Assistant

Rogers, and Melissa D. Ivey, Assistants, in the Chapman School. Virginia M. Howe, in a Primary School in the Chapman District. March 16. 1863.

Sarah J. Pillsbury, Assistant in the Dwight School, commencing Jan. 26th.

Sarah E. Crocker, commencing Feb. 2nd, and Martha B. Lucas, commencing March 2nd, in Primary Schools in the Dwight District.

Emma F. Titus, and Mary A. Garett, Assistants in the Everett School, commencing March 2nd

Isabella M. Harmon, Assistant in the Franklin School.

Mary N. Moses, Assistant in the Lawrence School, commencing March 2nd. Sarah M. Dunson in a Primary School in the Lawrence District, commencing Feb. 1st.

Florina Gray, Assistant in the Mayhew School.

Elizabeth P. Fleming, Assistant in the Hills School, commencing March 2nd.

The Board confirmed the following transfers, made by the respective Committees, viz. —

Anna R. Thornton transferred from the Bigelow School to a primary school in the same District.

Lavinia B. Pendleton, transferred from a primary school in the Lawrence District, to the place of Assistant in the Bigelow School; said transfers to take effect from March 1st. 1863.

The Superintendent of Schools submitted, in print, his sixth Semi annual Report, which was accepted.

The Quarterly Reports of the several

East 10.1863 Night School and District Committee were read and accepted.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Kimm, seconded by Dr. Bacon, That the subject of providing relief for the large Schools in the Ninth School District, over the number that can be accommodated in the School-house, be referred, with full power, to the Committee on that District.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Dennis, That the Committee on School Houses urge upon the City Council the great need of increased Yard-room for the Primary School-house in East Street.

The following was offered by Dr. Shurtleff, and referred to the Committee on Salaries:- Ordered, That Chas. Ferdinand Becher be appointed Teacher of French at the Latin School, with the same salary that is paid to the Teacher of French at the Girls High and Normal School.

The following, offered by Dr. Shurtleff, were adopted:-
1. Ordered, That the salary of Thomas Montweiler, late Teacher of French at the Latin School, be paid up to the end of the quarter in which he died.
2. Ordered, That the Latin School Committee be authorized to prepare a form of Diploma, in Latin, to be given to each graduate of the School.

The following Orders were offered, - 1 and 2 by Mr. Gott.

Sanctd by Ch. Jeannot, — and referred to the Com- March 11. 1863.
mittee on Salaries, who subsequently reported, recommending their adoption, and they were adopted:—
1. Ordered, That the sum of $42.00 be paid Miss Mary E. Gray, for seven weeks' service, viz. from Jan. 5th to Feb. 21st. inclusive, as Assistant in the Adams School.
2. Ordered, That the sum of $2.00 be paid Miss Eunice Mason, for two days' service, Jan. 2nd & 3d, as Assistant in the Adams School.
3. Ordered, That $44.00 be paid to Miss Sarah E. Hardy, for forty four days' service as temporary teacher in the Dwight School, from Dec. 1. 1862. to Jan. 26. 1863.
4. Ordered, That $18.00 be paid to Miss Josephine M. Moores, for eighteen days' service as temporary teacher in a Primary School in the Dwight School District, from Feb. 2nd to Feb. 21st, 1863.

The following Order passed, on motion of Mr. Greene, under a suspension of the Rules: viz.—
Ordered, That permission be granted to the Everett School District Committee to furnish a Primary School.

The Committee on Elections, to whom were referred the Certificates of Members elect, ask leave to Report: That the following named gentlemen appear, by their Certificates, to be duly elected for the several terms placed against their names:—

March 16, 1863. Ward 1. George F. Haskins
Horace Dodd
Ward 2. Thomas L. Dermont,
John W. Hinckley.
Ward 3. Asa P. Richardson,
George Hubbard.
Ward 4. Taylor F. King
Wellington F. Field.
Ward 5. Francis Brown
Henry Hansen.
Ward 6. Samuel K. Lothrop
George H. Gardner.
Ward 7. Patrick Riley
George Hayward Jr.
Ward 8. Edmund J. Eastman.
Ward 9. Elisha Bassett.
Charles Tenney.
Ward 10. Henry W. Harrington.
Stephen L. Emery.
Ward 11. Matthias Rich Jr.
William F. Leonard Jr.
Ward 12. J. Foster Haskins
Edward F. Durrand.

for three years: and George D. Ricker, of Ward 11. for one year, in place of Thomas Cass deceased; Stephen F. Nichols, of Ward 8. for one year in place of John B. Alley, deceased: and George W. Steele, of Ward 9, for one year, in place of Charles R. Codman resigned.

For the Committee, Joseph L. Ober, Chairman.

Read and accepted.

At a meeting of this Board, January 27th. the following Order was referred to the Committee on Salaries: "Ordered, That Miss Eliza A. Wiggin, Primary School Teacher in the Adams District, be allowed the maximum salary from the date of her re-election." The facts in the case are these. Miss Wiggin has been an assistant in the Grammar School six years, and in the Adams School four years. While in the Grammar School her health failed, and the situation of Primary teacher was given her. She continued to fill this place to general vision

has built become fully established, and she was March 16. 1863
removed to take charge of a Primary School. She now
asks to have her salary raised to the maximum point,
at which it was when she was originally put on. In con-
sideration of her long term of service, - twelve years, -
and her faithfulness and devotion as a teacher,
and also that her service has been continuous, -
the Committee recommend the passage of the ac-
companying Order, under suspension of the Rules.

Respectfully submitted. A. B. Hall.

Ordered, That Miss Eliza J. Higgins, Primary
Teacher in the Adams District, be allowed the
maximum salary from the date of entering upon
upon her new duties. The Rules were suspended
and the Order was then adopted.

Mr. Tuxbury presented and read the Report
of the Committee on Rules and Regulations, upon
the several matters referred to them; and recom-
mended that Chap. VIII. Sect. 35 be amended so as
to confine the power of the Mayor, or President
of the Board, in reference to the dismissal of the
Schools, to his own term of office. Also recom-
mending that Chap. I. Sect. 7 be amended so as to
provide that the Committee to nominate can-
didates to fill vacancies in the Board, shall
consist of three members of the Board from
the Ward in which the vacancy exists, and
two at large. The Report was accepted.

The Committee also submitted, agreeably to an

March 10. 1863 order of Jan. 27th, a revised copy of the Rules and Regulations; which, on motion of Dr. Fethiopes was recommitted, with instructions to report in print.

The Chair read the resignation of Mr. Dennard, from Ward 2, which was accepted; and the Chair offered the following: - Whereas, a vacancy exists in this Board, caused by the resignation of Thomas L. Dennard, of Ward 2. -

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Mayor and Aldermen, proposing a Convention of both Boards, on Monday, March 23d. at 5 o'clock P.M. for the purpose of filling said vacancy, and that public notice be given of the same pursuant to law. The Order passed. Mr. Dennie also moved, and it was voted, that, when the Board adjourn, it to to Monday, the 23d. instant, at 5 o'clock P.M. Subsequently, the Order and motion were both reconsidered, and were amended by substituting, in each case, the 30th inst. at 4 o'clock, instead of the 23d. instant at 5 o'clock; and so amended, were again adopted.

The Chair appointed the following Committee to nominate a candidate to fill said vacancy, viz. Messrs. Cobb, Kidder, Griffin, King and Dennie.

Mr. Barnett presented and read the Report of the Committee appointed to consider the matter of changes in the manner of conducting the Annual Exhibitions and the Musical Festival; and g-

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pted the following Resolutions:—

1. Resolved. That on the last nine days of the week previous to the Annual Exhibition of the several Grammar Schools, the parents and other friends of the children be invited, through the exhibition, to visit the schools on one or more of these days: that on such days the usual course of study, or review of studies, be pursued in each room, and that on the Saturday of this week the several Grammar Schools be closed.

2. Resolved that the exhibition of no Grammar School shall occupy more than two hours.

3. Resolved. That the master of each Grammar School under the supervision of the District Committee, shall conduct the exhibition of his school in such manner as he shall judge best for showing the progress which the pupils may have made in the studies of the year: it being understood that the exercises shall be such as, in any preparation they may require, will least disturb the usual course of study, and be suited to present the actual condition of the school.

4. Resolved. That, after the present year, the Annual Festival be held on the day of the Annual Exhibitions of the Grammar Schools.

5. Resolved. That the Committee on Music be instructed to consider the propriety of adopting for the Festival music of a more simple character, by which the usual course of instruction may be

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expire unexpected than under the present manage-
ment: and also of reducing the expense of the
School.

6. Resolved. That the distribution of Emerson's
medal scholars be discontinued.

7. Resolved. That the Rules and Regulations be
amended in the thirty fourth section of the
eighth chapter by inserting these words in the
fourteenth line, after the words "President of the
Board", namely:- "The Exhibitions of the Grammar
Schools shall be conducted in such manner as
shall best present the actual condition of each
school in the prominent branches of study,
and shall not exceed three hours in length. On
the first five days of the week previous to the
Exhibition the parents and friends of the chil-
dren shall be invited to visit the usual exercises
of the school; and on the last day of that week
the several Grammar Schools shall be closed." And
be further amended by substituting, for the words
"in the afternoon of the same day" the words "in the
afternoon of the day of the Annual Exhibitions of the
Grammar Schools" On motion of Mr. Haskins
it was voted 12, amended by Mr. Dennie, the Report and
Resolves were ordered to be printed for the use of
the Board.

The Committee on School Houses
have had under consideration the Order of the Board
relative to the need of a more safe and convenient ac-
cess to the School House in Bunstead Court: and beg leave

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to Report: The Committee visited in person the premises, and ascertained from their own observations the condition of the school house in question. The lot of land occupied by the house, with addition and yard, lies midway between the southern end of Haymarket Place and the junction of Hanover Place with Bunstead Court. This lot is of insufficient size. The yard in one passage way, separating, by a few feet only, the school house from its privies, the latter being immediately under its front windows. The house is small, and its rooms are not large enough to contain the required complement of fifty-six scholars. It has no light to exist on its eastern side, and its front windows are immediately over its privies. Thus its low rooms are so much overshadowed as to be uninhabitable, and are not occupied. The greater portion of the children attending these schools are poor Irish from the South, and their access to it is over private land in constant use by the occupants of adjoining stables, and is therefore inconvenient and even unsafe for little children. It is therefore very desirable that measures should at once be taken by the City Government to afford permanent relief. This may be done either by a reconstruction of the present house, or by more suitable accommodations elsewhere. Adjoining this estate on the West is a vacant lot of land, the purchase of which, with a right of way to Tremont Street, would permit an entire reconstruction of the house, which, while it

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might not render it all that would be desirable, would greatly improve its light and air, and afford safe and more convenient means of approach. It, however, the City Government would be willing to take the building for a Police Station House, of which, as your Committee understand, the City is now in need, and will provide accommodations for the few pupils that cannot be accommodated in Harrison Avenue, (in the new house) this would seem to your Committee the wisest course, and the most economical one. Your Committee therefore recommend that a copy of the present report, together with the formal approval of this Board, be communicated to the City Government, with the accompanying Order.

For the Committee, Nath. B. Shurtleff.

J.C. Stockbridge. T.B. Brewer.

Ordered, That a communication be sent to the City Government, that, in the opinion of this Board, the Primary School House in Barnstead Court is of inconvenient and unsafe access, and neither well situated nor well adapted for school purposes, and that it is desirable that measures be taken for its relief or improvement. Read, accepted, and the Order passed.

Mr. Stockbridge offered the following: Ordered, That the Committee on School Houses be allowed to report directly to the City Council, whenever they may think it best to recommend the erection of new School Houses, or necessary repairs

to be made on those now in use. Read, and referred to the Committee on Rules & Regulations. March 10. 1863.

Ordered, on motion of Dr. Gannett, That the Committee on Rules and Regulations be instructed to consider the propriety of transposing the 7th Sec. of the 10th Chapter to the 8th Chapter, and of adding to said Section the words "And no out-of-school lessons shall be assigned on Saturday"; and of numbering the Sections of each Chapter conformably to this change.

Mary A. Mansfield was confirmed as a Primary Teacher in the Hancock School District.

The Board adjourned to meet on Monday, the 30th instant, at 4 o'clock P.M.

Attest.

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A Meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston, was held, by adjournment, at the City Hall, on Monday, March 30. 1863, at 4 o'clock P.M. Present.- The whole Board, except Messrs. Briggs, Brewer, Cobb, Dodd, Dorr, Ford, Hall, Duncan, Field, Griffin, Hannington, Hayward, Hinckley, Howard, Hubbard, Kimball of Ward 10, Kimdeck, Latimer, of Ward 4, Riley, Russell, Shurtleff, Simmons, Spear, Stockbridge, Sturgis, Townsend, Upham and Woodbury.

The President called to order, and read the acceptance by the Aldermen, of the proposal of the School Committee for a Convention to fill the vacancy in this Board caused by the resignation of Mr. Demond of Ward 2.

Whereupon the Convention was held. Mr. Cobb, from the Committee appointed to nominate a candidate to fill the vacancy, reported the name of Seth C. Ames. The Chair appointed Alderman Simmons, and Messrs. Hall and Bassett, a Committee to collect the ballots: who reported that the whole No. of votes was 50: necessary to a choice 26. Mr. Seth C. Ames had 45. Benj. Pond had 5. Mr. Ames was declared elected. The Convention then dissolved, & the President of the Common Council took the Chair.

Albertina G. Porter was continued as Primary Teacher in the Bowdoin District.

Emily J. Tucker, commencing March 5th, and Catharine R. Eamond, commencing March 16th, were

nominated as Assistants in the Quincy Schools for the March 31, 1863.
Latin.

The Committee on Salaries, to whom was referred
the order to pay the teacher of French in the Latin School the same
salary that is paid to the the teacher of French
in the Girls' High and Normal School, respectfully
report that the following Order ought to pass.

For the Committee, - Selim H. Hall.

Ordered, That the salary of Hon. Ferdinand Kocher, teacher of French in the Latin School, be one hundred and fifty dollars per annum.

Read, accepted, and the Order was adopted.

Mr. Brainard offered Orders to pay to Sarah Jane Binney the sum of Ten Dollars, for twenty days' services as temporary teacher, from March 2nd to March 5th, inclusive; and to pay Mary L. Whitcomb the sum of Seventy dollars, for seven days' services, from March 6th to March 13th, inclusive, as temporary teacher, - both in the Bigelow School. The Orders were refered to the Committee on Salaries, who reported, subsequently, that the following ought to pass.
The Orders were accordingly adopted.

Mr. Dennis offered the following Order, and the same was refered to the Committee on Salaries: - Ordered, That there be paid to Miss Anna E. Penniston Fifteen Dollars, for services as temporary teacher in the Bunker Quincy School, from March 2nd, to March 19th.

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The Chair read the resignation of Otis Kimball from Ward 10. as a member of this Board; and, on motion of Dr. Lothrop the same was accepted.

Thereupon Mr. Dennie offered the following: -

Whereas, a vacancy exists in this Board, caused by the resignation of Otis Kimball of Ward 10, Ordered, That a message be sent to the Mayor and Aldermen informing them of the existence of said vacancy, and proposing a Convention of both branches on Monday, April 20th, at 11 o'clock A.M., to fill the same: and that public notice be given thereof, pursuant to law. The Order passed.

On motion of Mr. Dennie,

Ordered, That the Committee on School Houses urge upon the City Council the importance and necessity of additional yard-room for the pupils of the Quincy School: and suggest the expediency of removing elsewhere the Hose House on Hudson Street.

Mr. Tuxbury presented, in print, agreeably to a vote at the last meeting, a revised copy of the Rules of the School Committee and Regulations of the Public Schools.

Thereupon Dr. Lothrop submitted the following: -

Ordered: That Chapt. 1. Sect. 2nd. of the Rules and Regulations be amended by adding thereto the following: "and at the same meeting, the President shall also appoint a Committee to be styled "The Board of Examiners of Candidates for Teachers." Said Board shall consist of twelve persons, one from each ward of the city; and it shall be the privilege of the

Delegates from each ward, - they having jurisdiction for the purpose, - to designate to the President the one of their number whom they wish to have placed on this Board of Examiners. March 30. 1863

2. Ordered. That Chap. IV. of the Rules and Regulations be amended, by inserting the following section, after Sect. 9th, to be numbered Sect. 10th, and the numbers of the subsequent sections altered in conformity; - "The Board of Examiners of Candidates for Teachers shall, within ten days after their appointment, be called together by the person first named on their list, and shall organize by the choice of a Chairman, and the Superintendent of Public Schools shall, ex officio, act as Secretary of the Board.

"It shall be the duty of this Board to hold not less than four stated meetings in the course of the year, for the examination of candidates for the various grades of Teachers in the Public Schools of the city; each of said examinations to be held at such time, and place, and for such grade of Teachers, as they determine, - the same to be designated by advertisements in the newspapers which advertise for the City; and, after such examination, the Board shall give certificates to such candidates as they may approve; said certificates shall state the grade of Teacher for which the person is qualified; and, without further examination, persons holding such certificates, and none others, shall be eligible by the whole Board, or by any District

March 30, 1863. Committee; for confirmation by the Board to the grade for which the certificate designates them as qualified.

Ordered: That all such parts of the Rules and Regulations as are inconsistent with the foregoing Orders be, and are hereby, repealed."

On motion of Mr. Cobb the Orders were laid on the table and ordered to be printed, and referred to the next meeting of the Board.

Mr. Haynes moved, and it was voted, that, when the Board adjourn, it be to Monday, the 20th of April, at four o'clock P.M.

The Chair appointed the following Committee to nominate to the Board a candidate to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Otis Rimball of Ward 10: viz., Messrs. Dennie and Rolfe from the Ward, and at large, Messrs DeBlois, Haynes and Eastman.

The meeting then adjourned.

Attest:

Barnard Capen, Secretary.

April 20. 1863.

A meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the Common Council Chamber, on Monday, the twentieth day of April, 1863. at 4 o'clock P.M. The President of the Common Council in the Chair.

Present. The whole Board, except Messrs. Brown, Bunham, Dunn of Ward 8, Duncan, Field, Gould of Ward 5, Gould of Ward 3, Hinckley, Kelland, Kimball of Ward 5, Kimball of Ward 10, Kimball of Ward 11, Kindock, Riley, Rugell, Shurtleff, Stevens, Sturgis, Townsend, Vinton, Wadleigh, and the President of the Board.

The Chair read the concurrence of the Mayor and Aldermen in the proposition for a Convention to fill a vacancy in the School Committee, caused by the resignation of Mr. Kimball of Ward 10.

Thereupon the Convention was held. Mr. Vinton took the Chair in the Chair. Mr. Dennie, from the Committee appointed to nominate a candidate, proposed the name of Charles Edward Cook.

The Chair appointed Aldermen Standish, and Messrs. Haynes and Dennie, a Committee to collect the ballots: who proceeded, and reported that the whole No. of votes cast was 56, all for Charles Edw'd Cook, whose was declared chosen. The Convention then dissolved, and the President of the Common Council resumed the Chair.

Miss Hannah H. Barnard was nominated as teacher, on probation, of a School for Special Instruction

April 20. 1863. in the Phillips District, Services commencing May 4th.

Mr. Simonds offered the following, and it was referred to the Committee on Libraries, who subsequently reported favoring its adoption, and it passed, viz.

Ordered, That the sum of $24.00 be paid to Miss Eliza P. Thatcher, for services as temporary teacher in the Bigelow School from March 11th to April 11th, inclusive.

Mr. Simonds also offered the following: —

Whereas great inconvenience, and interruption to the studies of the pupils in the Bigelow School, arises from the noise of teams and vehicles passing so frequently over the pavements in front of the Bigelow School House, precluding, at times, the possibility of the teachers and pupils proceeding with their recitations:

Ordered, That the Mayor and Aldermen be respectfully requested to make such changes in the pavements as will obviate the difficulties now existing.

The Order passed.

Dr. Rolfe offered the following: -

Ordered, That the sessions of the Public Schools be suspended on Thursday, April 30th, and on Saturday, May 2nd. Dr. Lothrop called for a division of the question. Dr. Rolfe moved a suspension of the Rules, which motion passed. The question was then taken on suspending the Schools on the 30th of April, and the motion passed. Thereupon, Dr. Lothrop submitted, and the Chair read a communication signed by George Raymond and John Jeffries, members of the Board of

Consulting Physicians of the city, calling the attention of this Board to the custom of making the first day of May a fete day, and proposing as a substitute therefor, the first day of June. The second part of the Order offered by Dr. Ritter was at the suggestion of Dr. Lothrop, allowed to lie upon the table. April 30, 1863

The Committee on School Houses, to whom was referred the subject of increased accommodation in the yard of the Quincy School, beg leave to Report: That, having attended to the duty assigned them, they are of opinion that more yard-room is absolutely needed for the accommodation of the School, which accommodation can be very easily obtained by removing an old, dilapidated, and dangerous building, belonging to the City, standing in the School-House yard, and occupied by the City as an Engine House. They therefore recommend the passage of the accompanying Order.

W. E. Underwood, Chairman pro tem.

Ordered. That the City Council be requested to enlarge the Yard of the Quincy School, by removing the Engine House occupying one corner of said yard. At the suggestion of Mr. Dennie the term House House was substituted for "Engine House", and the Order was then adopted.

The Chair laid a communication signed by Oliver Ellsworth, Publisher of Town & City Directories

together Text Books, calling the attention of the Board to proposition for the introduction and use of that series of Text Books in the Schools: and the same was referred, on motion of Dr. Hooper, to the Committee on Text Books.

On motion of Mr. Haskins, Voted by the Board took up the Report of the Committee on Rules & Regulations

On motion of Dr. Ordway, Voted, that the question upon the amendments proposed by Dr. Hathorne, at the last meeting, relative to the Board of Examiners be taken by Yeas and Nays.

To the second of said Orders Dr. Brewer proposed the following amendments viz. to strike out, in the sixth line of the second paragraph, the words "three new grades of"; and in the fifth and seventh lines, the words "and for such grade of teachers"; and to insert at A, in the ninth line, so that the remainder of the Order shall read as follows:- Candidates for situations as teachers of Primary Schools, and Assistants in Grammar Schools shall be examined, both orally and by written answers, in Orthography, Grammar, Arithmetic, History of the United States, and Geography. The hand-writing, reading, and knowledge of Music, shall also, each, be an element by means of which the fitness of the candidate shall be judged. Candidates for situations as Head Assistants, Sub-Masters, and Masters in Grammar Schools, shall be examined in the same branches; and, in addition, in Physiology, and Natural Philosophy, also by written answers.

The answers shall be pursued on sheets of uniform size, and shall be accompanied by the questions proposed, and shall be carefully kept on file by the Secretary, with the writer's name and address, and the date of the examination, and shall be open for examination or reference, to any District Committee, and to any member of the Board.

Candidates for Master, Sub Master, Usher, Head Assistant, and Assistant, in the Latin, English High, and Girls' High and Normal Schools, shall be examined in the branches taught in those schools, by the Sub Committees of said Schools, and, after such examination the Board shall give certificates to such candidates as they may approve. Without further examination, persons holding such certificates, and none others, shall be eligible by any District Committee. The question being taken on the amendments they were rejected.

Mr. Thayer called for a division of the question upon the 2nd Order. The yeas and nays were then taken upon the first Order, when the following gentlemen voted yea: viz. Messrs. Bassett, Brewer, Burroughs, Cobb, Dana, Edmenden, Emmett, Hall, Hayne, Hayward, Hooper, King, Lamb, Lamson, Lothrop, Mann of Ward 4, Nichols, Rolfe, Stutely, Tuckey, Upham and the President of the Common Council; (22) and the following gentlemen voted nay: viz. Messrs. Ames, Barnard, Briggs, Cook, Dettrick, Dimick, Dodd, Dow of Ward 9, Eastman, Emery, Griffin, Kimmington, Hawkins of Ward 1, Hawkins of Ward 12, Kidder, Leonard,

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Fethe, Conway, Fahnestock, Randall, Kirkbride, Richardson, Simonds, Greene, Stockbridge, Thayer, Thomas, Toney, and Underwood. (29) Whereby it appeared that twenty-two gentlemen had voted yea, and twenty-nine had voted nay. So the Order did not pass. The yeas and nays were then taken upon the second Order, when all of the above-named gentlemen voted in the negative, except Messrs. Hughes and the President of the Common Council, who voted yea. So the Order did not pass. - Forty-nine gentlemen voting yea, and two voting nay. A motion by Mr. Randall, to reconsider the vote rejecting the Orders, did not pass.

Dr. Bethune moved to amend Chap. VIII. Sect. 33, by inserting in said Section "Good Friday", and "the Seventeenth of March." Dr. Gannett moved to amend, by striking out the Seventeenth of March, and it was voted. The motion as amended passed.

Mr. Barnard moved to amend Chap. IV. Sect. 17, by inserting, in the thirteenth line, the following; viz. "and an additional medal may be awarded in any Grammar School in which a majority fraction occurs, if the District Committee deem it expedient." The amendment passed.

Voted, on motion of Mr. Haynes, to amend Chap. III. Sect. 7, in the fifth line, by inserting the and the for "a", thus making it read "at the subsequent meeting."

On motion of Mr. Haynes, amended by Mr. Tuxbury, voted to amend Chap. V. Sect. 5, in the last line but two, by causing it to read, "and one-third of the members of, &c. April 20. 1863.

Voted, on motion of Dr. Palmer of Ward 4. that, when the Board adjourn, it be to a fortnight from Tuesday next, at four o'clock.

The second part of the motion offered by Dr. Rolfe was then taken from the table, and it was voted, that the sessions of the Public Schools be suspended on Saturday, the second day of May next.

Mr. Tuxbury offered the following: Ordered, That Miss Ellen Fuller be paid the sum of $18.00, for services as temporary teacher in the Bowdoin School, from Feb. 2nd. to Feb. 21st., inclusive. Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Dr. Hall, from the Committee on Salaries, reported the following: Ordered, That fifteen dollars be paid to Miss Anna E. Perry, for services as temporary teacher in the Quincy School, from the 2nd. to the 13th day of March. Passed.

The Chair appointed Mr. Cook on the following Committees, to fill vacancies caused by the resignation of Otis Kimball: viz. on the Committee on School Houses, the Latin School, and the Brimmer and Winthrop School Districts.

The Board then adjourned.

Attest: Barnard Capen, Secretary.

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An adjourned Meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held at the City Hall, on Tuesday the fifth day of May, 1863, at 4 o'clock P.M. The President of the Common Council in the Chair. The roll on the meeting having been called, and a quorum being present, the Roll was called, and the names of the absent members were noted, as follows: viz. Messrs. Ames, Briggs, Cate, Dodd, Dr. Lincoln, Ward 9, Dunn, Ward 9, Duncan, Emery, Ferdinand, Fennitt, Gould of Ward 8, Griffin, Hemmenway, Hawes, Hayward, Homans, Hubbard, Kidder, Lamb, Leonard, Murdock, Ordway, Rich, Rickey, Riley, Roffe, Spear, Steele, Stevens, Thayer, Thomas, Tracy, Tremont, Underwood, Wadsworth, and the President of the Board. Of the above, the following gentlemen appeared, and were present at the meeting; viz. Messrs. Cate, Dodd, Dunn of Ward 9, Emery, Fennitt, Gould of Ward 8, Griffin, Hawkins of Ward 1, Homans, Leonard, Ordway, Rickey, Spear, Steele and Tracy.

May 7. Harriet Cannon was confirmed as an Assistant in the Bigelow School. Jane Lyon was confirmed as an Primary Teacher in the Bigelow District.

Jane H. Hickey was nominated on probation as an Assistant in the Bigelow School, from April 13th.

Julia A. O'Hara was nominated as Primary Teacher on probation, in the Bowditch District, from May 4th.

The Committee appointed to prepare and report to the Board, in print, a more detailed statement than

is now contained in the Rules and Regulations, of the May 3. 1863
instruction to be given in each grade of the Primary
Schools, ask leave to Report: That, having attend-
ed to the duty assigned them, they would respect-
fully recommend that the Ninth Chapter of the
Rules and Regulations be amended by striking
out the 9th and 11th Sections: by changing the num-
bering of the 10th to the 9th, and the 13th to the 12th;
and inserting as the 10th Section, the subjoined
Course of Instruction. Respectfully submitted.

Henry W. Haynes, for the Committee.

Section 10. The following Books and Studies shall
be attended to in the respective classes: the Order of the
exercises and lessons assigned to each class to be deter-
mined by the teacher, subject, however, to the direc-
tion of the Committee of the School:

Sixth Class.

Hillards First Primary Reader to the 30th page;
the words in columns to be spelled without book, and
also words selected from the reading lessons.

Boston Primary School Tablets. Number Eleven, —
the words and elementary sounds, repeated after the
teacher. Number One, — the name and sound of each
letter, including the long and short sound of each
vowel. Number Fifteen to be read and spelled by
letters and by sound, and read by calling the words
at sight. Number Sixteen to be read by spelling,
and by calling the words at sight, without lessons
on the marking of the sentences. Number Thirteen to be

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spelled by sounds. Numbers Nine and Ten to be used in writing the alphabet, in variety of forms of letters. Number Five, the pupil to name and point out the lines and plane figures. Number Two - analyze the forms of the capitals, and tell in what lines compare each.

Boston Primary School Tablets No 1 - Print the small letters, and draw the straight lines, and the curvilinear figures. The blackboard and tablets to be used in teaching the slate exercises. Develope the idea of numbers to ten, by the use of objects. Count to one hundred on the numeral frame.

Repeating verse and maxims. Oral lessons on size, form and color, illustrated by objects in the school-room; also upon common plants and animals, illustrated by the objects themselves, or by pictures.

Learning to read and spell from letter and word cards, at the option of the teacher. Singing for five or ten minutes, twice at least each day. Physical Exercises for five or ten minutes, twice at least each hour.

Fifth Class.

Hilliard's First Primary Reader, as in the Sixth class, completed.

"My First Book," for Spelling, to the 24th page, and for reading, to the 70th page.

Boston Primary School Tablets. Review the exercises on Tablets prescribed for the Sixth Class. Number Nineteen entire, and Number Twenty to 4.

Number Six. - name and point out the figures and their parts. Number Eleven to be taught from the

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tables. Number Fourteen, Syllables to be spelled by sound. Boston Primary School Slate, No. 1. Review the slate exercises prescribed for the Sixth Class. Print the capital letters, also short words from the curriculum lines. Counting real objects, and counting with the numeral frame, by twos, to one hundred. Repeating verses and maxims. Oral lessons on form, size and color, and on plants and animals. Singing, and Physical exercises as above.

Fourth Class.

My First School Book, completed, both as a reader and as a speller. Hillard's Second Primary Reader to the 50th page; the words in columns to be spelled, and also words selected from the reading lessons. Spelling words by sounds.

Boston Primary School Tablets. Numbers Five and Six reviewed, with description & analysis of the lines and figures. Numbers Eleven, Thirteen, and Fourteen reviewed. Numbers Twelve and Twenty to be learned. Numbers Seventeen and Eighteen. - names of punctuation marks.

Boston Primary School Slate, No. 1, used daily. Copies in printing and drawing revised and completed. Printing from a five words daily. Writing Arabic figures. Adding and subtracting numbers to twenty, illustrated by objects and the numeral frame. Counting on the numeral frame, by twos to one hundred, and by threes to fifty. Repeating verses and maxims. Oral lessons on objects, as alive, with their parts, qualities and uses. Singing, and physical exercises, as above.

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Third Class.

Willard's Second Primary Reader, completed: the words in columns to be spelled, and also words selected from the reading lessons. Attack upon in reading and spelling, words spelled by sounds. Conversations on the meaning of what is read.

"Spelling and Thinking Combined," to the thirty-fifth page. Spelling words by sounds. Questions on the meaning of words. Eaton Primary School Tablets. Numbers Five, Six, Seven, Eight, Nine, Ten, and Twenty, reviewed. Number Three. Number Eighteen—use of Punctuation marks commenced.

Eaton Primary School Slate, No. 2. Write the small script letters, and draw the plane figures. Exercises in writing and drawing to be illustrated by tablets and blackboard. Print a few words in capitals.

Eaton's Primary School Arithmetic, or North American Arithmetic, begun. Miscellaneous questions in adding and subtracting small numbers. Practical questions involving similar combinations. The idea of multiplication developed by the use of the numbers. Numbers to be combined, occasionally written on slates from dictation. Repeating verses and maxims. Abbreviations. Oral lessons as above, and upon common objects, and the senses. Singing and physical exercises as above.

Second Class.

Willard's Third Primary Reader, to the 100th page; the words in columns to be spelled, and also words selected from the reading lessons. Difficult words to

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to spelled by sounds. Conversations on the meaning of what is read. "Spelling and Thinking Combined," to the 5th page. Spelling words by sounds. Questions on the meaning of words.

Eaton's Primary Arithmetic, or North American Arithmetic. - addition, subtraction, and multiplication tables to be learned, and the practical questions under these rules to be attended to.

"Boston Primary School Tablets." Numbers Three, Five, Six, Eleven, Twelve, and Eighteen, to be reviewed. Number Seven, - drawing, and oral lessons on the objects represented. Number Eighteen, - uses and definitions of points and marks learned, and applied in reading lessons.

"Boston Primary School Slate," No. 2. Writing capital and small letters, and drawing planes and solids, with illustrations from tablets and blackboard. Writing short words. Roman abbreviations and Roman Numerals. Repeating verses and maxims. Oral lessons on objects, trades, and the most common phenomena of nature. Singing and physical exercises as above.

First Class.

Willard's Third Primary Reader, completed, with definitions, explanations, spelling by letters and by sounds: also questions on punctuation, the use of capitals, and the marks indicating the pronunciation. "Spelling and Thinking Combined," completed. Spelling words by sounds. Questions on the meaning of words. "Eaton's Primary Arithmetic," or

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"both American & Arithmetic" completed. The tables of multiplication and division to 12 x 12, and 144 ÷ 12. & relation to 1.00. Counting by threes and fours, forwards to a hundred, and backwards, from a hundred to one. Radical questions to be attended to. "Boston Primary School Tablets" Review those used in the Second Class. Fremont drill on Number Twelve. Number Eight, drawing and oral lessons on the objects represented.

"Boston Primary School Slate," No. 2. Writing capitals and small letters, the pupil's name, and words from the spelling lessons, with particular care to imitate the letters on the frame. Drawing all the copies on the frame. Repeating verses and maxims. Review abbreviations. Oral lessons on objects, trades, occupations, with exercise of observation by noting the properties and qualities of objects, comparing and classifying them, considering their uses, the countries from which they come, and their modes of production, preparation, or fabrication. Singing, and physical exercises as before.

The Report was accepted, and then, on motion of Mr. Hinckley, was amended, by substituting the word session, for "hour" in the twentieth line, on page 478, and was then adopted.

On motion of Dr. Gannett, the Report, in print-City Doc. No. 31 - of the Committee on the subject of the Annual Exhibitions and the Musical Festival, was taken up and considered. On motion of Mr.

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That the Resolutions appended to the Report now considered in their order, and acted upon separately.

On motion of Dr. Garnett the first resolution was amended, by inserting, in the first line, the word school, before the word "days," so that it should read "That, for the first five school days," &c. The resolution was then adopted. The five Resolves next in order were likewise adopted. Resolve No. 7 was, on motion of Dr. Garnett, amended by inserting in the tenth line of the same (page 460) the word school, before the word "days," so that it should read "On the first five school-days of the week," &c. The Resolve as amended was then adopted. The Chair declared the passage of all the Resolutions, with the above amendments.

On motion of Dr. Upham it was Ordered, That, on account of the pre-occupation of the Music Hall, the Musical Exhibition of the present year be omitted.

The Chair read the resignation as a member of the Board of John Duncan, of Ward 12. Thereupon Mr. Burnham offered the following:-

Whereas, a Vacancy exists in this Board, caused by the resignation of John Duncan, of Ward 12. Ordered, That a message be sent to the Mayor and Aldermen, proposing a Convention of both Boards on Tuesday, the ninth day of June, at 4 o'clock P.M. for the purpose of filling said vacancy: and that public notice be given of the same, pursuant to law. The Order passed, and the Chair appointed the Committee to nominate

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a candidate to fill the vacancy; viz: Messrs. Burnham and Biggs from Ward 12, and at large Messrs. Russell, Shuttleff, and Kensington.

Dr. Hall, from the Committee on Salaries, reported, recommending that the Order to pay Miss Ellen P. Fuller (read at the last meeting) for her services, be adopted. The Order accordingly passed.

On motion of Mr. Haynes the Report of the Committee on Rules and Regulations was taken from the table, and Mr. Haynes read the following amendments; viz, to Chap. II, Sect. 8, to insert in the eighth line, after the words "take from the table," the words "and to the previous question"; to Chap. II, Sect. 9, to substitute the following: "He shall put the previous question in the following form. 'Shall the main question be now put?' and all debate shall be suspended until the previous question shall have been decided. The adoption of the previous question shall put an end to debate, to bring the Board to a direct vote upon pending amendments, if any, in their regular order, and then upon the main question." To Chap. III. Sect. 4, to strike out the words "more than five minutes at any one time, on any motion or order under discussion, nor". The several amendments were adopted.

Dr. Shuttleff moved that Sect. 34 of Chap. VIII. be transferred to Chap. X. and be the seventh Sec-

tion of said Chapter. The motion was adopted. May 5. 1863.

The question being raised, whether there was a quorum present, the Chair ruled that the Roll be called; when thirty eight gentlemen responded as their names were called. The names of absent members were recorded as follows: viz. Messrs. Ames, Barnard, Briggs, Cate, Dabbis, Dodd, Dow of Ward 1, Duncan, Ferguson, Griffin, Hannington, Haskins of Ward 1, Haskins of Ward 12, Hayward, Hubbard, Kidder, Kimball, Lamb, Murdock, Rich, Richer, Riley, Robie, Simonds, Steele, Stevens, Stickbridge, Strong, Thomas, Townsend, Turbury, Underwood, Upham, Warren, Woodbury, and the President of the Board.

It appeared that a quorum was present, and the Chair so declared it. Before any further proceedings were had, one member went out from the meeting. There then being no quorum present, on motion of A. Mr. Thayer the meeting dissolved.

Attest:

Barnard Capen, Secretary.

May 12. 1863.

A Special Meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the Common Council Chamber, on Tuesday, the twelfth day of May, 1863, at 4 o'clock P.M.
The President of the Board in the Chair.

Present, the whole Board, except Messrs. Braman, Cobb, Dana, Dodd, Emery, Farrington, Haynes, Hooper, Kuhland, Lemmond, Mendenhall, Ordway, Randall, Ricker, Riley, Stockbridge, Sturgis, Townsend, Tuxbury, and Woodbury.

Sarah J. Mack was continued as an Assistant in the Primmer School.

Olive Rogers was continued as an Assistant in the Chapman School, commenced Oct. 9, 1862.

The Board resumed the unfinished business of the previous Meeting, viz. the consideration of the Report of the Committee on the Rules and Regulations of the Board.

On motion of Dr. Brewer, Chap. VIII. Sect. 9, was amended, to read, "Each master shall make a careful examination of his school as often as he can, consistently with proper attention to the pupils under his immediate charge."

On motion of Dr. Richardson, the specification of the Salaries of the Teacher of Music was changed, to read $100.00, instead of $125.00.

On motion of Dr. Hall, Chap. IV. Sect. 25, in the eleventh line was amended, to read, "The number of

different schools registered.

On motion of Mr. Simonds, Chap. IV. Sect. 9 was amended, to read "The Committee on Music shall exercise" &c. Sect. 10, of the same Chapter, was amended, to read, "The Committee on Printing shall exercise" &c. Sect. 20, of the same Chapter, was amended, to read, in the last line, "and begin with the salary of such teachers."

On motion of Dr. Gamett, Chap. IV. Sect. 19 was amended by changing the word "may", in the first line, into shall; and by substituting for the rest of the sentence, after the word "girls," the following, "except, whenever, in the judgment of the District Committee, it shall be for the interest of the school to omit such instruction, in which case the District Committee shall apply to this Board for authority to suspend the action of this rule in that school."

On motion of Dr. Brewer, Chap. IV. Sect. 22 was amended, in the last line but two, to read "they may, if a majority of said Committee deem it expedient," &c.

On motion of Mr. Simonds, Chap. IV. Sect. 7 was amended, by striking out of the first line the words "It shall be the duty of;" and in the fourth line the word "to," and inserting shall.

On motion of Mr. Burr, Chap. VIII. Sect. 37, was amended, by inserting, in the fifth line, after the word "number," the words "extracts from": and in the sixth line, the words "combining therewith

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other patriotic exercises."

On motion of Dr. Hall,

Voted. That the Rules of the School Committee and Regulations of the Public Schools, as amended, be adopted, and that one thousand copies of the same be printed.

Mr. Burnham offered the following, and the same was referred to the Committee on Salaries:

Ordered. That the sum of fifty Dollars be paid to Miss Annie F. Hunt, in fifty days' services as Assistant, in a new class in the Lincoln School, from March 2nd, to April 29th, inclusive.

On motion of Dr. Palmer of Ward 4, the meeting dissolved.

Attest:

Barnard Capen, Secretary.

A Quarterly Meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the Common Council Chamber, on Tuesday, the ninth day of June, 1863, at 4 o'clock P.M. The President of the Board in the Chair. June 9. 1863.

Present. The whole Board, except Messrs. Bunnham, Coale, Dana, Dodd, Drew of Ward 5, Haynes, Hubbard, Kidder, Ricker, Riley, Russell, Steele, Thurgis, Townsend and Woodbury.

The Chair read the concurrence of the Mayor and Aldermen in the proposition for a Convention of the two Boards, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of John Duncan, from Ward 12. The Convention was held.

The Committee appointed to nominate a candidate for filling the vacancy, presented the name of Francis H. Underwood.

The Chair appointed Alderman Spinney, and Messrs. Kimball and Brainard, a Committee to collect the ballots and report the result. The Committee reported the whole No. of votes to be 55: necessary for a choice 28: that Seth K. Crowell had 7, and Francis H. Underwood 48. Mr. Underwood was accordingly declared elected. Thereupon the Convention dissolved.

The following Teachers were confirmed, having served the usual probation. — Sarah A. Pope, and Georgiana M. L. Everts, Assistants in the Bowditch School.

Martha E. Young, Head Assistant in the Bowdoin School.

June 9, 1863. E. F. Isbel, Primary Teacher in the Bowdoin District.
Melissa E. D'Arcy and Eveline Whitney, Assistants in the Chapman School.
Georgiana H. Morse, Primary, in the Chapman District.
Sarah E. Crocker and Martha B. Lucas, Primary, in the Dwight District.
Emma F. Titus and Mary A. Garrett, Assistants in the Everett School; the former, also, as a Head Assistant from May 1st.
Isabella M. Harmon, Assistant in the Franklin School.
Fanny Gray, Assistant in the Mayhew School.
Emily J. Tucker and Catharine R. Greenwood, Assistants in the Quincy School.
Elizabeth S. Winning, Assistant in the Wells School.

The following were nominated as on probation:—
Mary C. Browne, Assistant in the Dwight School, commencing March 2nd.
Sarah Lanabee, Assistant in the Eliot School, commencing March 2nd.
Josephine O. Paine, Primary in the Eliot District, commencing Dec. 1st. 1862.
Eunice E. Mason, temporary teacher in a Primary School in the Winthrop District, commencing July 1st.

Dr. Hall, from the Committee on Salaries, to whom was referred the Order to pay Miss Anna K. Graves the sum of $50.00, for services in the Lincoln School, reported that the Order ought to pass, and it was accordingly adopted. (page 488)

Voted, That the Salaries of the Teachers, for the next School year, be at the same rates as for the present year.

The Quarterly Reports of the Committees on the several High Schools, and Grammar School Districts, were read and accepted.

Ordered, on motion of Dr. Lothrop, That the Superintendent of Public Buildings be requested to have the Bannisters in the upper entry of the hall of the English High School House, so repaired as to be made strong and safe, before the Annual Exhibition of said School in July next.

Ordered, on motion of Dr. Brewer, That the Secretary of this Board communicate to the City Government the fact that the house in Bunstead Court will not be required for school purposes after the expiration of the present school term.

Mr. Simonds offered the following Order, & moved a suspension of the Rules for immediate action upon it. The Rules were suspended, and the Order passed:- Ordered, That permission be granted to the Bigelow District Committee to establish a new Primary School in said District.

Dr. Hall offered the following two Orders, and they were respectively referred to the Committee on School Houses:- Ordered, That the City Council be requested to furnish Robinson's System of Ventilation for the two upper stories of the Hancock School House.
2. Ordered, That the Hancock District Committee have

June 9, 1863. have to establish a new Primary School in said District.

Mr. Hall offered the following:

Ordered, That sixty eight dollars be paid to Miss Emma Clark for services as temporary Assistant in the Hancock School, from a March 2nd to May 23rd inclusive; and that sixty seven dollars be paid to Miss Kate L. Dane, for services as temporary Assistant in the same school, from a March 2nd to May 23rd inclusive. Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Mr. Dennie offered the following:-

Ordered, That the Committee on Music be authorized to provide a suitable Piano for the Branch School in the Quincy District. Referred to the Committee on Music: who subsequently, through their Chairman, reported back the following:- Ordered, That the Committee on Music be authorized to furnish, by rent or otherwise, a suitable Piano for the Branch School of the Quincy District- which prayed.

Mr. Noble offered the following:

Ordered, That a communication be sent to the City Council requesting them to furnish a new School House in the easterly part of the Chapman School District, in Ward 2, embracing the general arrangements and accommodations of the present Grammar School House on Eutaw Street, for the use of the class of scholars,- both in the Grammar & Primary Departments in that District. Referred, with full powers, to the Committee on School Houses.

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Ordered, on motion of Mr. Tuthing, That the Bowdoin School District Committee be authorised to omit the teaching of Sewing in the Bowdoin School, until otherwise ordered by this Board.

Dr. Lothrop submitted and read the Annual Report of the Committee on Text Books; accompanying which were the following Orders, recommended by the Committee:-

1. Ordered: That "Stearns's Practical Guide to English Pronunciation" be omitted from the list of text-books.

2. That No. 10. in the list of Studies for the First Class in the Grammar Schools be amended by striking out "and double," so that the No. will read "Book-keeping by single entry."

3. Ordered, That Bartholomew's Drawing Books be used as the text-book in Drawing in the Grammar Schools.

4. Ordered, That No. 4. in the list of studies for the Third Class in the Grammar Schools, be amended by striking out "with lessons in Written Arithmetic on the slate and blackboard," and inserting "Eaton's Common School Arithmetic, revised edition".

5. Ordered, That the revised edition of Willard's Readers, now in preparation, be used in the Schools whenever said edition is published.

6. Ordered, That Eaton's Common School Arithmetic, revised edition, be the text-book in Written Arithmetic in the Grammar Schools.

7. Ordered, That Adams's Spelling Book for Advanced

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8. Ordered: That No. 6. in the list of studies for the Third Class in the Grammar Schools be amended by striking out "Warren's Common School Geography, and inserting "Warren's Primary Geography."

9. Ordered: That a copy of "Drake's History of Boston" be placed as a book of Reference in each of the Grammar and High Schools.

Dr. Lothrop moved, and it was voted, that the Report be laid upon the table. On motion of Mr. Dennis it was ordered that the Report be printed.

The Board then proceeded to the election of a Superintendent of the Public Schools. The Chair appointed Messrs. Cook, Defenden and Cobb a Committee to collect the ballots, and report the result.

The Committee proceeded, and reported, as follows:- Whole No. of votes, 55: necessary for a choice 28. John D. Philbrick had 48. Loring Lothrop 5. Francis H. Underwood 1. Philbrick 1. Whereby, it appeared that John D. Philbrick had the requisite number of votes, and he was accordingly declared elected.

Dr. Hall moved, and it was Voted, That the salary of the Superintendent be the same as the salary of the Masters of the High Schools at its maximum: viz. $2800.00.

On motion of Mr. Dennis of Ward 9, the Board went into secret session for the Annual Election of Instructors of the Public Schools.

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On motion of Mr. Bishop, Voted to ballot for all the Masters on one ballot. The several Chairmen then nominated the candidates for the respective places. The Chair appointed Messrs Swan, Thomes and Ordway a Committee to collect the ballots, who proceeded to that duty: when it appeared that the following were elected Masters for the ensuing year;- Latin School, Francis Gardner. English High School, Thomas Sherwin. Girls High and Normal School, William H. Seavey. Adams School, Percival W. Bartlett. Bigelow School, Charles G. Clark. Bowditch School, William J. Adams. Bowdoin School, Daniel C. Brown. Boylston School, Alfred Greene. Brimmer School, Joshua Bates. Chapman School, John D. Philbrick. Dwight School, James A. Page. Eliot School, Samuel W. Mason. Everett School, George B. Hyde. Franklin School, Samuel S. Gould. Hancock School, George Allen, Jr. Lawrence School, Josiah A. Stearns. Lincoln School, Samuel Barrett. Lyman School, Moses H. Lincoln. Mayhew School, Samuel Swan. Phillips School, James Havey. Quincy School, Charles C. Valentine. Wells School, Reuben Swan. Winthrop School, Robert Swan.

On motion of Mr. Burroughs it was voted that when the Board adjourn, it be to Tuesday, the 23d inst. at four o'clock P. M.

Upon nomination by the respective Committees the Board then elected, by confirmation, the subordinate teachers of the High and Grammar Schools and teachers of the Primary Schools.

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Latin School. Edwin R. Cagill, Sub Master, Charles J. Capen, Moses Merrill, Joseph F. Hale, and Albert Palmer, Ushers. Ferdinand C. Becker, Teacher of French. English High School. Charles E. Cumston, First Sub Master, Luther W. Anderson, Second Sub Master, Ephraim Hunt, Usher. William F. Bartholomew, Teacher of Drawing. Girls High and Normal School. Daniel C. Gayl, Head Assistant, Maria H. Bacon, Margaret C. Badger, Helen M. Avery, Emma A. Temple, Catharine Knapp, Mary E. Yates, Adeline L. Sylvester, Mary H. Ellis, and Frances F. Cook, Assistants. William F. Bartholomew, Teacher of Drawing. Carl Zerrahn, Teacher of Vocal Music. Philip Wilner, Teacher of German. Philip W. Gengenbre, Teacher of French. Adams School. Robert C. Metcalf, Sub Master, Jane F. Howe, Margaret J. Allison, Elizabeth C. Lothrop, Head Assistants. Josephine J. Jones, Mary C. White, Julia F. Pierce, Lucy A. Wiggin, Mary M. Morse, Sarah J. D'Arcy, and Almira G. Smith, Assistants. Mrs. E. H. C. Culver, Teacher of Sewing. Charles Bubier, Teacher of Music. Primary Teachers: Emily C. Morse, Rosa L. Morse, Eliza A. Wiggin, Mary L. Hoyt, Annette A. Webster, Elizabeth Lincoln, Mary H. Allen, Susan D. Wilde, and Esther L. C. Morse.

Bigelow School District. Rachel C. Mather, Julia M. Baxter, Celinda Sears, Head Assistants. Mary A. Hale, Mary A. Currier, Lavinia B. Pendleton, Florence W. Pelton, Emily A. Russell, Roxanna F. Blanchard, Elizabeth Williams, Sophia B.

Whiton, Julia Clapp, and Harriet L. Howes, Assist- June 9, 1863.
ants. Albert Drake, Teacher of Music. Primary
Teachers: Anna R. Thornton, Mary P. Colburn,
Jennie Lyon, Ruth L. Dillaway, Emma T. Fink-
ham, Sarah A. Graham, Emeline L. Johnan,
Caroline R. Holway, Martha C. Jenks, Annie C.
Gill, Josephine P. Chenington, Maria A. Cook,
and Emeline W. Goodwin. Bowditch School
District. Caroline L. G. Badger, Clarinda R. T. Tread-
well, Eliza J. Read, Susan H. Baxter, Head As-
sistants. Ellen M. T. Treadwell, Ellen M. Kendry,
Ann Nowell, Mary E. Nichols, Caroline W. Mar-
shall, Anna L. Maynard, Frances R. Honey, An-
na B. Thompson, Sarah E. Daly, Catharine T. Elli-
ton, Mary M. T. Foley, Sarah F. Pope, and Georgi-
ana M. L. Everit, Assistants. Eliza A. Baxter, Teach-
er of Sewing. Charles Butler, Teacher of Music.
Primary Teachers: Lydia B. Fett, Ruth E. Rowe, Ce-
lia Wixon, Hannah E. G. Glazier, Angelia M.
Newmarch, Maria J. Elvin, Abigail M. Parker,
Octavia C. Hand, Mary G. Hillman, Ann M. Le-
cain, Harriet B. Cutler, and M. Isabella Hopkins.
Bowdoin School District. Martha C. Young, Ma-
ry A. Murdock, Rebecca Lincoln, Head Assistants.
Sophia B. Hon, Eliza A. Fay, Martha F. Palmer,
Irene W. Wentworth, Lucy C. Gould, Ann E. Kim-
ball, Assistants. Charles Butler, Teacher of Music.
Primary Teachers: Melinda A. Parker, Mar-
tina G. Porter, C. Eliza Mason, Charlotte F. Tinkham
Ruggles, Lydia A. Peck, Frances L. K. Whitman, Abi-

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A. Lincoln, E. Elizabeth Adams, and Louisa Stephens. Boylston School District. John Jameson, Sub Master, Willard A. Bell, Usher, Mary A. Davis, Head Assistant, Sarah A. Fuller, Mary L. Holland, E. A. Powell, Josephine M. Hanna, Merrick G. White, Emily A. Hutchins, and Susan B. Linds, Assistants. Primary Teachers: Clara A. Clarke, Margaret A. Safford, Annie E. Raby, Adelia E. Edmand, Ellen E. Perkins, Mary E. Sawyer, Maria B. Clapp, Celeste Wood, Amelia E. A. Tredwell, Rosalie G. Abbott, and Julia B. Lombard. Brimmer School District. Wm. L. P. Boardman, Sub Master, William Read, Usher, Rebecca L. Duncan, Head Assistant, Mary E. Beck, Mercy T. Snow, Amanda Swan, Susan T. Cunningham, Anna T. James, Harriet N. Jones, Mary E. Davis, Caroline B. Leeson, Sarah J. Marsh Assistants. Edwin Bruce, Teacher of Music. Primary Teachers: Eliza F. Moriarty, Lucy H. Symonds, Emma F. Whiton, Sarah R. Bowles, H. Anne Boone, Lucas B. Baldwin, Deborah K. Briggs, Sarah Farley, Eliza E. Foster, Martha J. Coolidge, Rebecca J. Weston, Catharine M. C. Richardson, Mary E. Greene, Charlotte L. Young, and Sarah C. Sanderson.

Chapman School District. William H. Ward, Sub Master. Parthenia H. Wilder, Head Assistant, and Maria L. Kimball, Rosellana Howard, and Philena Wright, also Head Assistants. Sarah E. Bachelder, A. Delia Whitney, Mary E. Moore, Louisa M. Collyer, Mary A. H. Pingree, Sarah F. Butler, Ellen J. Bishop, Melissa E. B. Hoyt, Caroline Whitney, Olive L. Rogers, Assistants.

Charles Butler, Teacher of Music, Frances E. Clow, Teacher of Writing. Primary Teachers: Mary E. Hall, Louisa Curtis, Elizabeth G. Johnson, Huldah K. Mitchell, Mary L. Lee, Sarah A. Pratt, Jane E. Banks, Helen A. Banks, Mary E. Morse, Sarah A. Smart, Georgiana H. Morse, Ellen M. Robbins, Margaret A. Mitchell, Hannah P. Crafts, Harriet A. Tyler, and Lydia B. Smith. June 9, 1863.

Dwight School District. Charles Hutchins, Sub Master. Lucius A. Wheelock, Usher, Mary L. Ross, Head Assistant. Ira M. Keller, Mary F. Gardner, Eliza A. Allen, Jennie E. Bunten, Clara B. Gould, Martha A. Jocelin, Jennie L. Worcester, and Jane M. Wight, Assistants. Charles Butler, Teacher of Music. Primary Teachers: Sarah E. Eccles, Martha B. Lucas, Mary E. Rowe, Henrietta Draper, Eliza G. Pratt, and Jane P. Titcomb. Eliot School District. McLaurin P. Cook, Sub Master, Walter H. Powell, Usher, Nancy Potter, Head Assistant. Elizabeth M. Turner, Sarah C. Goodwin, Helen Faxon, Frances H. Bodge, Martha M. Weeks, C. Augusta Welch, Georgiana L. Russell, Mary A. E. Sargent, Assistants. Edwin Bruce, Teacher of Music. Primary Teachers: Sarah W. Wilson, Sophia Shepard, Clarissa Davis, Eleanor C. Tarbell, Sarah C. Thwaites, Harriet A. Body, Eliza Brintnall, Eliza J. Cosgrave, Juliette Davis, Julia Ann Tufts, Sarah Ripley, Helena H. Turner, Mary E. Burnett, and Emma A. Giles. Everett School District. Frances E. Keller, Janet H. Crighton, Fanny Tucker, Emma A. Titus, Head Assistants. Anna B. Clapp,

June 4, 1863. Elizabeth T. Burns, Matilda E. Rich, Frances R. Josselyn, Mary A. Garrett, Louisa C. Holmes, Ann J. Bolden, Sarah W. Pollard, Charles Butler Teacher of Music, Emily F. Bryant, Teacher of Sewing. Primary Teachers: Eliza E. Gould, Betsey H. Hunnewell, Mary T. Tucker, Anna R. Frost, Caroline G. Lord, Elizabeth Lemman, Mary J. Burden, Caroline F. Rice, and Lydia F. Blanchard.

Franklin School District. Amelia B. Hopkins, Catharine J. Symonds Sarah A. Cate, Sarah P. Mitchell, Head Assistant. Lydia H. Emmons, J. Catharine Bradford, Susan S. Cates, Elizabeth F. Dixon, Isabel Gray, Ellen E. Tucker, Mary J. Tucker, Mary F. Mitchell, Anna E. Parker, and Isabella H. Hannon, Assistants. Charles Butler, Teacher of Music. Primary Teachers: Lucy M. Beck, Susan E. Chaffee, Josephine G. Whitfield, Georgiana A. Bolland, Frances M. Sylvester, Maria J. Jenkins, Elizabeth F. Cummings, Eliza J. Dyar, Harriet M. Dixon, Sarah F. Everett, Frances J. Crocker, Hannah M. Coolidge, Lucy A. Cate, Caroline F. Hill. Hancock School District. Thomas G. Parmenter, Sub-Master. Josephine A. Brigham, Head Assistant. Esther F. Wilder, Martha F. Winning, Anna B. Hall, Henrietta F. Pierce, Ellen A. Hunt, Sarah E. White, Helen M. Hitchings, Hannah Barnes, Emily F. Fifield, Malvina R. Brigham, Josephine M. Robertson, and Helen E. Nash, Assistants. Edwin Bruce, Teacher of Music. Primary Teachers: Sarah L. Shepard, Sarah F. Ellis, Mary E. Cate, Mary F.

Clark, Elizabeth L. Frye, Emily A. Buckley, Margaret June 9. 1865.
K. Hall, Adeline G. Bodge, Harriet K. Rice, Emma A.
Linsley, Martha J. Brady, Esther H. Mansfield, Anna
M. Burns, Susan Ray, Frances E. Hurd, Catharine J.
Thayer, Mary A. Mansfield.

Primary School
District. Henry C. Hinsdale, Asst. Teacher. Margaret Kyle,
Mary W. Comstock, Kate H. Irving, Head Assistants. Juli-
ette Smith, Mary Jane Trumbull, Elizabeth J. Jeffords,
Louisa C. Richards, Caroline Blanchard, Alice Cooper,
Sarah O. Babcock, Margaret A. Brady, Eliza L. Dur-
ing and Mary A. Barnes, Assistants. Sarah J. Bliss,
Teacher of Sewing. Albert Drake, Teacher of Music.

Primary Teachers: Lucinda Smith, Mary E. Fox,
Mary F. Baker, Sarah F. Hall, Mary K. Davis, Mary
Lincoln, Mary A. Macnair, Mary F. Porter, Sarah
J. Blake, Sarah H. Dunton, Olive W. Green, Sarah L.
Cunningham, Rebecca H. Bird, Ann E. Newell,
Laura A. Reed.

Lincoln School District. Charles
A. Kenrick, 1st Master. Mary E. Baker, Martha
A. Dearborn and Myra F. Butterfield, Head Assist-
ants. Anna M. Brown, Laura Bartlett, Cynthia
H. Sears, Nadine B. Jewell, Frances A. Nichols, Ellen
R. Wyman, Assistants. Elizabeth Beddington, Teacher
of Sewing. Albert Drake, Teacher of Music.

Primary Teachers: Laura J. Gear, Lucy E. Bartlett,
Sarah E. Varney, Caroline M. Eyon, Lilly A. Bab-
cock, Susan H. Smith, M. Elizabeth Easton.

Lyman School District. James F. Blackinton,
1st Master. Mary C. Bullfinch, Mary F. Gage, &
Cordelia Lothrop, Head Assistants. Eliza F. Rugan,

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Mary A. Turner, Cynthia P. Putnam, and Harriet A. Hibbard, Assistants. Ramer C. Clark, Teacher of Writing. Charles Butler, Teacher of Music.

Primary Teachers: Anna J. Duncan, Abigail M. Allen, Isabella J. Billy, Hannah C. Watkins, Susan K. M. Swan, Hannah L. Manson, Helen A. Plumley, Angeline K. Cudworth, Caroline Litchfield.

Hayden School District. Quincy E. Dickerman, Sub-Master. S. Kate Grandgent, Usher. Emily A. Newton Read, Assistant. Elizabeth P. Hopkins, Sarah H. Copeland, Anna J. Holmes, Elizabeth K. Hall, L. Blanche Todd, Adeline J. Cutter, Caroline J. Reed, and Norma Gay, Assistants. Samuel Swan, Teacher of Music. Primary Teachers: Permelia Stevens, Bethia Whiting, Henrietta B. Lord, Sarah E. Copeland, Maria L. Cummings, Margaret R. Atkinson, Caroline Mason, M. Etta Jaquith, Mary E. Parker, Catharine F. Caldwell, Harriet A. Swan.

Phillips School District. Hampton Gates, Sub-Master. John H. Eaton, Usher. Emma J. Fuller, Head Assistant. Sara A. Porter, Annie M. Harrington, Lucy A. Ferris, Hannah M. Sutton, Abigail J. Reed, Harriet Cunningham, Josephine Duncan, and Emily A. Perkins, Assistants. Edwin Bruce, Teacher of Music. Primary Teachers: Mary A. Allen, Sarah A. M. Swan, Josephine Couthouy, Caroline F. Eastman, Mary H. Barnard, Eliza A. Caldwell, Sarah H. Ingalls, Caroline J. Field, Harriet H. King, Ruth A. Eastman.

Quincy School District. Benjamin W. Putnam, Sub-Master. Edward Gay, Usher.

Josephine L. Tucker, Lydia F. Hammond and E. Maria Emmons, Head Assistants. Julia B. Burnett, Angelina L. Houlton, Harriet D. Hinckley, Frank E. Chandler, Elizabeth J. Bailey, Charlotte E. Wheelwright, Emily B. Peck, Catharine R. Greenwood, Olive C. Page, Ann J. Chandler, Emily J. Tucker, Assistants. Charles Butler, Teacher of Music. Primary Teachers: Susan Frizzell, Elizabeth F. Bentley, Mary E. Richards, Dora Norton, Ellen E. Leach, Mary F. Webster, Abigail F. Hutchins, Harriet F. Batts, Priscilla Johnson, Sarah E. Lewis, Elizabeth C. Fink, Adeline Tuckbridge, Hannah F. Spurrier, Sophronia F. Hewick, Marian H. Flynn, Matilda Mitchell.

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Wells School District. Sarah E. Wiggin, Head Assistant. Ellen F. Preble, Mary F. Carter, Sarah J. Lothrop, Juliana Spurrell, Lydia F. Chandler, Ellen M. Brown, Lydia F. Peck, Elizabeth P. Fleming, and Matilda F. Berry, Assistants. Mary E. Madge, Teacher of Sewing. Edwin Bruce, Teacher of Music. Primary Teachers: Mary F. Jones, Anna F. James, Elizabeth D. McClure, Augusta H. Foster, Mary L. Bailey, Lucy M. F. Redding, Maria W. Turner, Elizabeth W. Snow, Elizabeth F. Foster, Mary F. Watts.

Winthrop School District. Susan M. W. Loring, Mary C. Ladd, Rebecca P. Berry, Almira Seymour, and Martha E. Towne, Head Assistants, Mary Newell, Kate F. Perry, Mary E. Davis, Elizabeth F. Emmons, Emma F. H. Howes, Mary J. Danforth, Georgiana Spurrell, Frances E. Jamieson, Julia F. Jeffrey, Hannah H. Hosmer, Emily M. Hathaway, Abigail

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Martha A. Wells, Assistant. Hannah A. Robb, Teacher of Primary School Butts, under A. Lewis.

Primary teachers: Rebecca R. Thayer, Lily M. Wells, Mary B. Brown, Julia A. Whalen, Hannah E. Crane, Frances Savage, Ella J. Glover, Caroline M. Green, Mary A. Kane, Anna E. Jones, Caroline L. Morris, Caroline L. P. Toney, Henrietta K. Madigan, and Agnes Duncan.

The following teachers were nominated to the Board as being placed on probation, to commence with the next School Year:-

Joseph Lee, 1st Master in the Bigelow School.

Ellen L. Williams and Martha A. Wells, Assistants in the Eliot School.

On motion of Dr. Lothrop,

Ordered that Mr. Jesse Isbrisen be appointed an Assistant Teacher, for the School year beginning on the first Monday in September next, to perform such services, and give such instruction, in Arithmetic and Book-keeping, in either of the Schools, as he may be called on to perform by the Superintendent, or the Chairman of any of our District Committees; at a salary of Six hundred Dollars a year.

On motion of Dr. Palmer of Ward 2, the following Order was adopted, - the Rules being suspended for the purpose:

Ordered: That the Committee on the Eliot School District have authority to establish a new Primary School.

The Chair appointed a Mr. Francis H. Underwood, June 9. 1863.
to fill vacancies in the places of Mr. Duncan, re-
signed, on the Committee on the Eaton School,
and on the Brighton, Saxonville and Lincoln
School Districts.

The Board then adjourned,
to meet on Tuesday, the twenty-third instant,
at Four o'clock P.M.

Attest:

Barnard Capen, Secretary.

June 23d, 1863.

An adjourned meeting of the Annual Meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the Common Council Chamber, City Hall, on Tuesday, the 23d day June, 1863, at 4 o'clock P.M. The President of the Board in the Chair.

Present, The whole Board, except Messrs. Burroughs, Dana, Dobbin, Drew of Ward 8, Hayward, Hooper, Kidder, Kimball, Lamson, Murdock, Palmer of Ward 2, Randall, Riley, Stiles, Stockbridge, Stuyvesant, Thayer, Townsend, Upham, Vinton, and Wadsworth.

Mary A. Cushing was confirmed as a Primary teacher for the ensuing year, in the Eliot District.

Levantia F. Bradley was nominated for re-election as an Assistant in the Lawrence School; confirmed.

Harriet F. Stowell was nominated and confirmed as an Assistant in the Lincoln School, for the ensuing year.

Mary E. Hutchins was nominated as on probation, an Assistant in the Eliot School, commencing May 1st.

Mary H. Tapon was nominated to serve on probation, commencing with the ensuing year, as a Primary Teacher in the Lincoln District.

The Chair read a communication, signed by John Spear and five others, residents of Long Island, citizens of East Boston, asking aid from the citizens of Boston for the education of children on Long Island, Newcomb's and Spectacle Islands. On motion of Mr. Cobb, the matter was referred, with full powers, to the Committee on Salaries.

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Mr. Kirk, from the Committee on Libraries, reported recommending the passage of the Order referred to them at the last meeting: viz. that Miss Emma Kirk, and Kate S. Deane be paid, respectively, the sums specified in said Order. The Order was accordingly adopted.

The Committee on School-Houses, to whom was referred the subject of granting leave to the Hancock District Committee to establish a new Primary School within said District, have attended to the duties assigned them, and submit the following as their Report:- It does not, in the opinion of your Committee, appear to be necessary, at present, to establish another Primary School in said District, but we are satisfied that it may be expedient within a short time to do so. We therefore recommend the passage of the accompanying Order, leaving it in the hands of the District Committee to establish such school whenever an exigency exists. All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. E. Underwood, Chairman.

Ordered, That the Hancock District Committee be authorized to establish an additional Primary School within the limits of said District, whenever, in their opinion, a necessity exists for the same.

Read, and the Order passed.

The Committee on School Houses, to whom was referred the subject of the better ventilation of the Hancock School House, have attended to the duties

June 23, 1863 signed them, and Report: In consequence of the increase of scholars, more school-rooms are necessary; and it is thought best by your Committee, to meet this want by dividing the hall, so as to make two more rooms, and yet leave a hall sufficiently large for the accommodation of the school. In doing this it will change the present system of ventilation, which is cold and inefficient, - so much so, that it will be necessary to introduce nearly as much expense, for good ventilation, as would be required by putting in one of Robinson's ventilators in these extra rooms. And as the present system of ventilation in the whole building is much inferior to that of Robinson's; and, as some of the rooms in the lower stories are at present very poorly ventilated, we would recommend, although not asked for in the order which your Committee is acting upon, - that the City Council be requested to apply Robinson's system of Ventilation to the whole building, - as better results would be attained, and with less expense, by doing the whole at once, than by doing a part, only, at the present time. We therefore recommend the passage of the accompanying Order. - All of which is respectfully submitted. (Signed)

W. E. Underwood, Chairman.

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to furnish the Hancock School House with Robinson's system of Ventilation throughout the building. Accepted, and the Order passed.

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Dr. Bethune moved, and it was voted, to take up the Annual Report of the Committee on Text Books, in print; City Doc. No. 59. The subject of Text Books in the Public Schools then being before the Board, the Chair read a communication from Oliver Wilmouth, relative to the "Progressive" Series of Readers, by Town and Holbrook; which was placed on file.

Dr. Palmer of Ward 4, moved to amend the Report of the Committee, by adding to the Series of Orders suggested thereto, the following Order, to be numbered 11. Ordered, That Reed's Elementary English Grammar, and Reed's Comprehensive English Grammar, take the places of Sullivan's Introduction, and Sullivan's Analytical and Practical Grammar, in all the Schools where Grammar is taught.

The motion to amend was adopted, and the Report of the Committee was then accepted.

Mr. Thayer moved, and it was voted, to take up and consider the several Orders separately. The Orders were so taken up, and acted upon; a majority of the Board, in any case, being necessary for an adoption. Orders No. 1 to 11 inclusive, were adopted. Order No. 5 was amended, by adding thereto the following: "provided they be ready by the First of September." The Order was then adopted. Order No. 6 was adopted. Order No. 7 was amended by adding the following: "at the discretion of the District Committee." The question then being taken upon the order as amended, it was not adopted. On motion of Mr. Haynes the vote whereby the Order was rejected was reconsidered, and the Order was

June 25th, 1863. then laid on the table for consideration at a future meeting. Order No. 1 was adopted. Order No. 2 was adopted, a majority of those present vote only being necessary for its passage. Order No. 3, relating to Prof. Grammar was laid; but subsequently, on motion of Dr. Tilton of Ward 4, the vote was reconsidered, and the Order was laid on the table.

Ordered, on motion of Dr. Pethick, That, when the Board adjourn, it be to meet again one fortnight from to-day.

On motion of Dr. Richardson,—

Ordered, That the Committee on Music be and hereby is instructed to purchase Indian Rubber Covering for the Piano Keys in the Public Schools, the price not to exceed $10.00 each.

The Board then, on motion of Mr. Spaulding, adjourned.

Attest:

Barnard Capen, Secretary.

July 7. 1863.

An adjourned Meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held at the City Hall, on Tuesday, the seventh day of July, 1863, at Half past 4 P.M. The President of the Board in the Chair. Present, the whole Board except Messrs. Dalton, Dunn of Ward 5, Dunn of Ward 9, Gilson, Harwood, Hedges, Kimball, Farmer of Ward 3, Randall, Riley, Simonds, Stevens, Stevens, Stockbridge, Hughes, Townsend, Stanbury, Underwood of Ward 12, and Warren.

The Chair read the resignation, as member of the Board, of David P. Kimball of Ward 5; the same, on motion of Mr. Brown, was laid on the table.

The Order relative to Kerl's Grammar, - laid on the table at the last Meeting, was taken therefrom. Mr. Randall of Ward 12 moved, and it was voted, that the question be taken upon the two parts of the Order separately.

It was then voted, 1st. That Kerl's Comprehensive English Grammar take the place of Bullions's Introduction: 2nd. That Kerl's Comprehensive English Grammar take the place of Bullions's Analytical and Practical Grammar: - in all the Schools where Grammar is taught. The two were adopted by forty-two votes, in each case, in favor of their passage.

Order No. 7, of the Report of the Committee on Text Books, relative to Adams's Spelling Books, was

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taken from the table. Dr. Patton moved to amend the Order so to limit its use to the Girls Class. The amendment passed, and the Order as amended passed. - forty two votes in favor of its passage.

Dr. Patton offered the following Orders: -

1. Ordered, That every girl attending a Grammar School, who shall be examined for a medal the present year, shall also be examined for admission to the Girls High and Normal School the present year, if she desires longer to attend the Public Schools.

2. Ordered. That every boy attending a Grammar School, who shall be examined for a medal the present year, shall also be examined for admission to the English High School the present year, if he desires longer to attend the Public Schools.

3. Ordered. That every pupil who shall have been under the tuition of the Principal of a Grammar School during the present school year, if fifteen years of age, shall be discharged from said School at the close of the year, unless by special permission of the District Committee. (allowed to remain)

Read, and, on motion of Mr. Dennie, laid on the table.

On motion of Dr. Thurtell.

Ordered. That a Committee of thirteen be appointed by the Chair, to make the requisite arrangements for the Annual School Festival. The

Chair appointed the following to be that Com- July 7, 1863.
mittee: viz., Messrs Hale, Hall, Gill, Hubbard,
Shattuck, Jarvis, Upham, Dana, Lothrop, Connell,
Dennie, Spear, and Briggs.

On motion of Mr. Haynes,
Ordered, That the Committee on School Houses
be authorized to assist to the City Government, in
Blackboards for the use of the Primary Schools
in Tyler Street.

Thereupon, on motion of Dr. Rolfe,
the Meeting adjourned.

Attest:

Barnard Capen, Secretary.

Sept. 8. 1863.

A Quarterly Meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held at the City Hall, on Tuesday, Sept. 8. 1863, at Half-past 5 P. M.: the President in the Chair.

Present, the whole Board, except Messrs. Ames, Brainard, Brown, Coale, Dana, Dodd, Hinckley, Hooper, Hubbard, Kidder, Kimball, Murdock, Randall, Richardson, Riley, Rolfe, Russell, Sturgis, Townsend, Train, Tuttle, Underwood of Ward 12, Underwood of Ward 9, Vernon, and the President of the Common Council.

Absent.

Continuations. The following Teachers were continued, viz:-

Brimmer School. Lavinia A. Burton, Assistant in the Brimmer School.

Hannah F. Tuttle, Assistant in the Chapman School.

Ellen Parker, Primary, in the Chapman District.

Mary E. Hammond, Primary, in the Eliot District.

Jane N. Stetson, Primary, in the Bowdoin School District, (from Sept. 1st.) transferred from the Grammar Department.

The following Teachers were nominated, as being on probation:-

Caroline H. Dexter, Primary, in the Primary District, commencing Sept. 1st.

Ruth H. Clapp, Primary, in the Bowditch District, commencing Sept. 7th.

Harriet E. Coale, and Emily G. Hathaway, Assistants in the Bowdoin School, from Sept. 7th.

Annie E. Hewitt, Primary, in the Boylston District.

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Mary L. Bancroft, Primary, in the Third District, commencing Sept. 7th.

Sarah P. Stevens, and Catharine A. Crane, Assistants in the Hancock School, and Sarah J. Cooper, Primary, in the Hancock District, all commencing June 2nd.

Henrietta M. Whitney was confirmed as Primary Teacher in the Bigelow School.

Ira G. Cutter was nominated as an Usher, on probation, in the English High School.

The Board then attended to the reading of the Quarterly Reports, which were all accepted.

Dr. Upham, Chairman of the Committee on Music, read the Report of that Committee on the Semi-annual examination of the Schools in Music, and the same was accepted.

Dr. Shurtleff offered the following: Ordered, That the Latin School Committee have authority to appoint a second Assistant, in the place of the Precedent of the English High School, and that the Rules of the Board be amended to allow the same to be done. Referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Dr. Lothrop offered the following: Ordered, That Fifty Dollars be appropriated, to make repairs in the Philosophical Apparatus of the English High School, and to procure Materials for experiments. Ref. to Com. on Accounts.

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Ordered, on motion of Dr. Hall, That the two Intermediate Schools for boys, recently removed from Corps Hall to the new Building in Little Kennel Street, be placed under the superintendence of the Eliot School District Committee.

The following Orders were offered, and referred to the Committee on Salaries, who subsequently reported they ought to pass, and they were severally adopted; viz, by Mr. Simonds, That the sum of Nineteen dollars be paid to Miss Mary L. Howard, for nineteen days' services as temporary teacher in a new Primary School in the Bigelow District, from June 26th to July 18th, inclusive: and by Mr. Burnham, That the sum of Fifty eight dollars be paid to Miss Harriet L. Clapp, for fifty eight days' services as temporary teacher in the Lincoln School, from May 4th to July 20th, inclusive: also by Dr. Palmer of Ward 3, That Twenty nine dollars be paid to Sarah E. Stone, for twenty nine days' service as temporary teacher in a Primary School in the Eliot District, from June 15th to July 18th.

Dr. Homans offered the following:

Ordered, That there be paid to Mrs. Parker, Mother of the late Abigail C. Parker, a teacher in the Bowditch District, who died during the late vacation, such an amount of salary as would have been due said Abigail if she had lived up to Sept. 7th, at which date the salary of the new teacher commences.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

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The Chair appointed the following Committee to make the Annual Report of the School Committee: viz. Messrs. Brown, Griffin, Hinckley, Shuttleff, Homans, Spear, and Simonds.

The Committee on Schools, to whom was referred a petition of John Spear and others, inhabitants of Long Island and vicinity, respectfully Report: That, upon investigation, they find that a majority of the signers of said petition have been tax-payers in East Boston: that there are twenty children between the ages of five and fifteen in the need of school instruction: that, during the past season the parents have supported a school seven weeks, at their own expense: and they now ask to be supplied with some desks, and such an appropriation as the Board may direct. The Committee therefore recommend that a sufficient number of desks be furnished to accommodate the pupils, and that twenty-five dollars be appropriated for the present School-year, towards the expenses of the school. The Committee recommend the passage of the following Order, and also that the school on Long Island be placed under the care of the Committee of Schools in East Boston.

In the Committee, Adino B. Hall.

Ordered. That the sum of Twenty-five Dollars be paid to John Spear, or his order, during the present school year, for the support of the school on Long Island, provided the school shall be kept

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not less than forty weeks: the amount to be paid in four instalments, the bills to be approved by the Superintendent of Schools: also that the Superintendent of Public Buildings be authorized to furnish such locks for the use of the Schools.

Read, accepted, and the Order adopted.

On motion of Dr. Jarvis the resignation of Mr. David P. Kimball, as a member of this Board, was taken from the table, and was then withdrawn.

On motion of Dr. Hall, it was Voted, That the matter of disposing of the text books belonging to the City, in the Public Schools, which are now or hereafter may be in the pupils, be referred, with full powers, to the Committee on Accounts.

Ordered, on motion of Dr. Lothrop, That Mr. Rufus Putnam be authorized and permitted to visit the Grammar Schools, and give advice and instruction in the use of his Drawing Books, which, by a vote of the Board, have just been introduced into said Schools, the text book in Drawing: he not asking, and not receiving, any compensation for said services.

The Board then adjourned.

Attest:

Barnard Capen,

Secretary.

Boston, Oct. 27th, 1863. Nov. 3d, 1863.

His Honor the Mayor.

Will you please call a Meeting of the School Committee on Monday next and oblige (signed) J. B. Upham, J. K. Lothrop, Henry Burroughs, Jr. George Hayward, Nath. B. Shurtleff. "

Request for Mayor to call a Meeting.

Agreeably to the foregoing, a Meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was called by His Honor the Mayor, President of the Board, and was held at the City Hall, on Tuesday, the third day of November, 1863, at 4 o'clock P.M. The President of the Board in the Chair.

Present, The whole Board except Messrs. Amas Briggs, Crafts, Dunn of Ward 6, Dunn of Ward 9, Eastman, Field, Griffin, Hemmingway, Kingsley, Hooper, Hubbard, Kimball, King, Murdock, Palmer of Ward 4, Rich, Ricker, Riley, Shurtleff, Spane, Steele, Stevens, Sturgis, Townsend, Underwood of Ward 12, and Wadsworth.

Absent.

Dr. Lothrop moved that the usual notice preceding be dispensed with, that the signers of the Call for the Meeting might be allowed to state the object thereof. The motion was carried, and Dr. Upham stated that the Meeting was called for the purpose of asking of the Board the authority to employ the pupils of the Public Schools, in connection with the Grand Organ, in one or more concerts to be given by the Boston Music Hall Association, for the benefit of a fund for the ex-

Concerts in aid of the Grand Organ.

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ting instrument of the Organ Committee thereupon,
Dr. Gilbert offered the following:

Whereas, the Boston Music Hall Association
has just completed the successful erection of a
grand and magnificent Organ in its Hall: and,
Whereas, this noble instrument, unrivalled, it may
be, but not surpassed in all the world, can not but
be regarded as an addition, as second, almost, as it
is high and valuable, to the best wealth of the city,
a liberal instrumentality for producing refining
and elevating impressions, and for the moral and
religious culture of its people: and, whereas it is
desirable that as many of the children of our Public
Schools as are capable of having some appreciation
of it should at an early day as possible, have an
opportunity of seeing and listening to its mingled
beauty and grandeur of form and sound, and
that, through them, and their interesting and at
times serious services, our citizens generally may feel that
they too contributed something to the permanent
and unincumbered possession by our city, of this
great means of Art and instrument of good.

Ordered, That the Committee on Music be, and
hereby are authorized to make all the necessary provi-
sions and arrangements for the benefit of the
pupils of the Public Schools in connection with the
Grand Organ in the Music Hall, within the pres-
ent month; the tickets of admission to be disposed
of by the Directors of the Music Hall Association, to
be equally & fairly to the several districts of

the Organ Debt, and for maintaining said Organ in perpetual repair. Read and adopted. Nov. 3d 1863.

The following Teachers were confirmed, viz:- Confirmations.

Mary A. Currier, Head Assistant, and Julia M. Baxter, Assistant, in the Bigelow School, from Sept. 21st:- the former transferred from the place of Assistant, the latter from the place of Head Assistant. Bigelow School.

Jane M. Hickey, Primary, in the Bigelow District. Bigelow (Primary)

Julia A. O'Hara, Primary, in the Bowditch District. Bowditch "

Sarah J. Pillsbury and Mary E. Paine, Assistants in the Dwight School. Sarah Jane Barnabee, and Mary E. Hutchins, Assistants in the Eliot School. Dwight School. Eliot School.

Josephine C. Paine, Primary, in the Eliot District. Eliot (Primary)

The following Teachers were nominated to the Board as being on probation:- Nominations.

Elizabeth C. Dwight, Assistant in the Girls' High and Normal School, commencing Sept. 7th. Girls' High & Nor. School.

Harriet M. C. Choate, First Head Assistant, and Mary P. Grant, Assistant, in the Bowdoin School, from Nov. 1. Bowdoin "

Emma J. Bullard, Assistant in the Bigelow School, from Sept. 6th. Bigelow School.

Anna E. Pierce, Primary, in Primary District, from Oct. 1 Primary (Primary)

Antonia Harvey, Primary, in the Eliot District, Sept. 7. Eliot (Primary)

Sarah L. Eaton, Primary, in Everett Dist. from Sept. 16th. Everett "

Anne Curtis, Primary, in the Franklin Dist. from Sept. 7th. Franklin "

Ada L. Jepson, Primary, in the Phillips Dist. from Nov. 2nd. Phillips "

Edward Guy, Sub-Master, from Oct. 12th, and William Nichols, from Oct. 19th, in the Quincy School. Quincy School.

Sarah J. Sanborn, Head Assistant in the Wells School, commencing Sept. 7th. Wells School.

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Winthrop School

Mary E. Lovell, Head Assistant, and Mary E. Newhouse, Assistant, - the cattle from Sept. 23, in the Winthrop School. The Board confirmed the transfer by the respective District Committees, of Miss Mary E. Newhall, Primary teacher, from the First to the Hill School District.

First District Hill "

Resignation of C. P. Kimball and J. C. Stockbridge. Aldermen to be notified of vacancies.

The Chair laid the resignations of members of the Board, of said P. P. Kimball, of Ward 5, and John C. Stockbridge, of Ward 6, which, were accepted. Whereupon, on motion of Dr. Jarvis, it was Ordered, that notice be sent to the Mayor and Aldermen, to inform them that vacancies exist in this Board, on account of said resignations.

Orders were offered, to pay teachers for temporary services, and were referred to the Committee on Salaries, as follows, viz:

Bigelow District. Miss Howard's services.

1. Ordered, That the sum of Forty-eight Dollars be paid to Mary E. Howard, for services as temporary teacher in the new Primary School in the Bigelow District, from Sept. 7th to Oct. 31. inclusive.

Lincoln School. Miss Ellen E. Tuttle's services

2. Ordered, That the sum of twelve Dollars be paid to Miss Ellen E. Tuttle, for services as Head Assistant in the Lincoln School, from Sept. 7th to Sept. 19.

Eliot School. Miss Upton's services.

3. Ordered, That Fourteen Dollars be paid to Elizabeth A. Upton, for fourteen days' services as temporary teacher in the Eliot School, from Sept. 8th to Sept. 23d inclusive.

Lincoln School.

4. Ordered, That there be paid to Mary E. Sheffield,

the sum of Nine Dollars, for nine days' services, Sept. 28, to Oct. 7th, inclusive, as temporary teacher in the Lawrence School.

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5. Ordered, That there be paid to Mary E. Eaton the sum of Twelve Dollars, for twenty days' services, Sept. 7, to Sept. 26th, as temporary teacher in a Primary School in the Lawrence District.

Mary E. Eaton's Primary Teacher's Services.

6. Ordered, That the sum of Forty-eight Dollars be paid to Eudora E. Cooper, for forty-eight days' services, Sept. 7, to Oct. 31st, inclusive, as temporary teacher in a Primary School in the Lincoln District.

Eudora E. Cooper's Primary Teacher's Services.

7. Ordered, That there be paid to Ephraim K. Valentine, Ninety-five Dollars, for ninety-five days' services as temporary teacher in the Quincy School, from June 2nd to July 18th, and from Sept. 7 to Nov. 7th.

Quincy School. Mrs. Valentine's Services.

8. Ordered, That the sum of Twelve Dollars be paid to Emily Forster, for twelve days' services, from Sept. 7 to Sept. 19: that the sum of Fifteen Dollars be paid to Adelia L. Jepson, for fifteen days' services, from Sept. 21 to Oct. 7th, inclusive, and that the sum of Nine Dollars be paid to Mary Ellen Alexander, for nine days' service, from Oct. 8 to Oct. 17th, inclusive: all as temporary teachers in the Wells School District.

Wells School. Miss Forster's services. Miss Jepson's services. Miss Alexander's services.

The Committee on Rules and Regulations, to whom was referred the petition of sundry citizens relating to the appointment of teachers in the Latin School, respectfully Report: That the concurrence in the recommendation of the Latin School Committee, and the

Report of Com. on Rules & Regulations: and Sub-Master

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in the
Colin School.

that, in their judgment, the interests of the School will best be promoted by the appointment of William R. Dimmock as an additional Sub Master in the School. Mr. Dimmock is an experienced and successful teacher in the School, and you Committee believe that it would be difficult, if not impossible, to find another person so well qualified to fill the situation. They therefore unanimously recommend the passage of the accompanying Order; viz: —

Order passed.

Ordered, That Mr. William R. Dimmock be appointed an additional Sub Master in the Latin School, with a salary of Sixteen Hundred Dollars for the first year, and an annual increase of One Hundred Dollars until his salary amounts to Two Thousand Dollars: his term of service commencing Sept. 7th, 1863. Respectfully submitted. For the Committee. Geo. W. Pusbury, Chairman.

Read, accepted, and the Order adopted.

Errands &c. by pupils.

Mr. Endicott offered the following: - Ordered, That the Chairman of each District Committee be instructed to inform the teachers under their charge that in no case will they be allowed to send any pupil with letters to the Post Office, or on any errands of a private nature, either during or after School hours. Laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Ott.

Edw. Everett et als.

Mr. Hale presented and read a petition, signed by Edward Everett, James M.

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Petition. Military Drill in Boys' Schools.

Beebe, Charles G. Loring, Geo. C. Perry, James Lawrence, Peleg W. Chandler, Geo. C. Shattuck, Edwin M. Abbot, Citizens of Boston, and others, interested in the preservation of public order, and the protection of property, respectfully praying "that instruction in Military Drill may be forthwith introduced into the Public Schools for Boys."

Mr. Hale likewise submitted the following:-

Ordered, That a Committee of five be appointed to consider and report upon the expediency of introducing instruction in Military Drill into the Public Schools for Boys; and, if they shall think it expedient, to report a plan therefor.

Order passed.

Passed, and the following Committee appointed: viz. Messrs. Hale, Bethune, Raymond, Brainard, and Hayward.

Kent's Grammar: changes in.

On motion of Dr. Gannett,

Ordered, That the Committee on Text Books report to this Board at the next meeting, whether changes have been made in Kent's Grammar, since its introduction into the Public Schools; and whether such changes do or do not occasion needless inconvenience and expense.

The Board thereupon adjourned.

Attest:

Barnard Capen,
Secretary.

Dec. 5. 1865.

Regular Meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston held at the City Hall on Tuesday, the 5th day of December, 1865 at four o'clock P.M. The President in the Chair. Present, the whole Board except Messrs. Bigelow, Brown, Cook, Dunn, Hinds, Grand, Hurd & Kimball, Messrs. Morse, Nutting, Lamb Parker, Rhodes, Simmons, Thurber, Wild & Wilkins. Absent, Messrs. Hayward, Hunnewell and Wellington.

Absentees excused.

On motion of Mr. Lothrop, that be excused the non-attendance of Members, it was so voted.

Communication from Teachers asking the Salaries

Mr. Lothrop then submitted a paper, signed by the masters of the Public Schools, concerning the present rate of salaries paid to them and moved its reference to the Committee on Salaries. It was so voted, and the Committee, on motion of Mr. Thayer, were instructed to report in print.

Confirmations.

The following teachers were confirmed, viz. -

E. Ma. Sch. Cha's. Hoyt, Usher in the English High School.

Eng. High. Elizabeth C. Eight, Assistant in Girls' High & Normal School.

Rosetta Y. Abbot, Assistant in the Bowditch School, transferred from Primary School in Boylston District.

" Minerva J. Bullard, Assistant, and Anna M. Kimball, Primary teacher, in the Boylston District.

" Helen L. Dexter, Primary, in the Winthrop District.

Pri. Prim. Antonia Hanson, and Mary A. Dana, Primary Teachers in the Eliot District.

Anna E. Ellis, Head Assistant in the Overall Sch. Dec. 5, 1863.
Sarah S. Howard and Catherine S. Dana, Assistants, Overall School.
and Sarah A. Cobb, Primary teacher in the Hen- Hancock "
cock District. The following Teachers were " "
nominated to the Board as being on probation:— Nominations.
William R. Dimmock, 1st Master in the Eaton School. Eaton Sch. "
Mary E. Otis, and Harriet E. Hyde, Assistants Bigelow "
in the Bigelow School, commencing Sept. 7th.
Mary L. Howard, Primary Teacher in the Bigelow Bigelow Sch. "
District, commencing Nov. 1st.
Emily G. Witherbee, Assistant in the Bowdoin School, Bowdoin Sch. "
commencing Sept. 7th.
Mary L. G. Hawley, Primary teacher in the Boyls- Boylston Prim. "
ton District, commencing Nov. 30th.
Mary S. Perkins, Assistant in the Elliot School, com- Elliot School "
mencing Dec. 1st, and Augusta H. Pendl, Pri- "
mary teacher in the same School, commencing Oct. 19th.
Emma E. Fay, Primary teacher in the Franklin "
District, commencing July 1st.
Martha A. Thompson, Assistant in the Low- Lowell "
ell School, commencing Oct. 15th.
Martha D. Bigelow, Head Assistant, commenc- Lowell "
ing Dec. 1st, and Anna H. Pond, Assistant, com-
mencing Jan. 4th, in the Lowell School.

The Quarterly Reports were then read, accepted. Quarterly
Reports.

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to have the [illegible]
the building containing the Hook and Ladder [illegible]
of the Fire Department removed from the [illegible]

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premises of the Lyman School without delay.

The following Orders were offered, and referred to the Committee on Salaries, who subsequently reported that they had considered the same, and recommended that they be adopted; as follows:-

Ordered, That the sum of fifty-one Dollars be paid to Mary Kyle, for fifty-one days' service from Oct. 1st to Dec. 5th, inclusive, as temporary teacher in the Lincoln School.

Ordered, That fifty-two Dollars be paid to Helen Swinnerton, for sixty-seven days' service, from Sept. 7th to Dec. 3d, inclusive, as temporary teacher in the Everett School.

Ordered, That forty-two dollars be paid to Lucy A. Pike, for forty-two days' service, from Oct. 5th to Dec. 21st, inclusive, as temporary teacher in a Primary School in the Hancock District.

Ordered, That Six Dollars be paid to Mary E. Nichols, for six days' services, from Oct. 8, to Oct. 14th, as a temporary teacher in the Lawrence School.

Ordered, That there be paid Mrs Eunice Elizabeth Mason Seventy-three dollars, for seventy-three days service, from Sept. 7th to Dec. 7th, inclusive, as a temporary teacher in a Primary School in the Quincy School District. The Orders severally passed.

The following Orders were likewise referred to the Committee on Salaries:-

Ordered, That the Evening Teacher in the Bow-

ditch School shall teach Giving twenty three hours each week, and receive $350.00 per annum. Dec. 8. 1863.

2. Ordered: That there be paid to Miss Anna M. Lamb $66.00 for twenty four days' services as temporary Usher in the Quincy School from Oct. 12. to Nov. 9th, inclusive. Quincy School: Miss Hunt's services

3. Ordered. That the salaries of Mr. Alfred Mowins, Master of the Boylston School, and Mr. Chas Goodwin Clark, Master of the Bigelow School, be increased, so that they shall receive the highest sum paid to teachers of their grade. Mr. Mowins Boylston and Bigelow Schools

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Burroughs, That the Committee on the Girls' High & Normal School be authorized to expend all moneys received in the tuition of pupils in that School who are not residents in Boston, in the purchase of Apparatus and books of Reference for the use of the School; and that said Committee report to this Board the amount received in each year, in tuition, and the manner in which it has been expended. Girls' High & Normal School: Receipts for Tuition &c.

The Committee on Text-Books who were instructed by an Order passed at the last Meeting of this Board, "to report to this Board at the next meeting whether any changes have been made in Keel's Grammar since its introduction into the Public Schools, and whether such changes do or do not occasion needless inconvenience and expense" - respectfully Report: That when Report of Committee on Text Books, as to Changes in Keel's Grammar.

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Reed's Gram mar. Report continued.

Reed's Grammars were adopted, it was understood by the Text Book Committee, and as was supposed, also, by the whole Board, that Mr. Reed was about to issue a new edition of his elementary book, - the object being to present the book to the public in a larger and fairer type: to correct some typographical errors, and to make some emendations which would improve it without essentially changing the character of the work; and, that it was this new edition that was to go into use in the Boston Schools.

This New is the Seventh edition. From inquiries which the Committee caused to be instituted, they find that in a large majority of the schools, copies of this new edition were the only ones used, and that no needless inconvenience or expense had been occasioned in those schools.

Inferring from the Order, that, in some schools, the pupils might have furnished themselves with a copy of the Sixth or some earlier edition, the matter was brought to the attention of Mr. Reed, who immediately instructed his agents in this city to exchange, free of charge, all such copies of old editions, for the new, Seventh, edition; and notice to this effect was sent to the Masters, at their monthly meeting: so that it is presumed that the inconvenience, which has not probably reached to more than eight or ten instances, has been remedied, and that no needless expense has been any where incurred. The Committee respect-

fully submit the following Order in relation to Guyot's Maps, which have been brought to their attention by the Superintendent of Public Schools, by several of the Masters, and members of different Committees, as needed additions to our works of reference, and facilities of instruction. — Ordered, That the Committee on Accounts be authorized to furnish the High and Grammar Schools with such proportional sets of Prof. Guyot's Physical and Political Wall Maps for Schools, as the Committee of any of said Schools may direct.

Respectfully submitted S. K. Lothrop.

Read, accepted, and the Order passed.

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Guyot's Maps.

Order passed.

At the last Meeting of this Board several Orders for the payment of temporary teachers were submitted to the Committee on Salaries. These Orders have been examined, and the Committee recommend that an order be passed, to pay the following sums to the respective teachers herein named. Respectfully submitted

In the Committee, A. D. Wait, Chairman

Report of Committee on Salaries, on Orders to pay for temporary services of teachers.

Ordered. That $14.00 be paid Elizabeth M. Fessenden for services in the Eliot School; that $12.00 be paid to Ellen E. Fuller for services in the Bowdoin School; that $9.00 be paid Mary E. Whitfield for services in the Lawrence School; that $9.00 be paid to Emma K. Valentine, for services in the Quincy School; that $48.00 be paid to Eudora M. Draper, for services in a primary school in the

Miss Fessenden.

Miss Fuller.

" Whitfield.

" Valentine.

" Draper.

Dec. 8. 1863. Lincoln District: that $45.00 be paid to Mary
Miss Conrad. L. Conrad, for services in a primary school in
the Bigelow District: that $21.00 be paid to Ma-
" Eaton. ria C. Eaton, for services in a primary school in
the Lawrence District: that $9.00 be paid to
" Alexander Mary C. Alexander, $12.00 to Emily Forrester, $15.00
" Forrester to Ada L. Jepson, for services in primary schools
" Jepson. in the Fifth District.

Read, accepted, and the Order passed.

Annual Report of School Committee.

Dr. Brewer submitted the Report of the Committee who was appointed to prepare the Annual Report of the School Committee and asked leave to report in print.

On motion of Dr. Cadwell, it was Voted to accept the Report, and that the usual number of copies be printed.

Report of Committee on Instruction in Military Drill.

Mr. Hale submitted the Report of the Special Committee "to consider and report upon the expediency of introducing instruction in Military Drill into the Public Schools for Boys," &c. The following Order was appended to the Report:- Ordered, That (blank) be a Committee with authority to provide a suitable instructor in Military Gymnastics and drill the teachers in the Public Schools for Boys; and, that said Committee be authorized, upon consultation with the Masters and Teachers of the Latin, English High, First, and District Schools, to introduce such instruction in those schools for at least half an hour

three times a week, at such times, and in such manner, as they may consider expedient; and to provide suitable rooms therefor, if necessary; and hereafter to report to this Board. Dec. 8, 1863.

On motion of Mr. Randall the Report was accepted, laid on the table, and ordered to be printed.

Under a suspension of the Rules,

Ordered, on motion of Dr. Upham, That, in consideration of the long and faithful services of Mr. John A. McCord, late Usher in the Phillips School, his salary be continued, for the benefit of his family, for the period of one quarter from the date of his death. John A. McCord said. Salary to be continued. Phillips School.

Ordered, That the Franklin School District Committee be authorized to establish a new Primary School in said District, and refered to the Committee on School Houses. Franklin District: New Primary School wanted.

Dr. Lothrop moved that, when the Board adjourn, it be for a fortnight from today; and it was so voted.

Thereupon the Board adjourned.

Attest

Barnard Capen,
Secretary.

Dec. 22, 1863.

Absent.

Confirmations. Adams School. Wells School. Winthrop School.

Military Drill: Report of Committee, considered.

Order adopted.

Committee appointed.

Regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held by adjournment, in the Common Council Chamber, on Tuesday, the 22nd day of December, 1863, at four o'clock P.M. The President in the Chair.

Present, the whole Board, except Messrs. Brown, Burnham, Cate, Collin, Maynard, Minkley, Rutland and Tomb. Messrs. Bullock, Kelly, Hale, Stevens, Sturgis, Tarbell, Underwood & Ward 12, & Wadsworth.

Martha E. Hall was confirmed as an Assistant in the Adams School, commencing Sept. 1st.

Sarah Sanborn was confirmed as Head Assistant in the Wells School.

Mary E. Lovell was confirmed as Head Assistant, and Mary E. Moorhouse as Assistant, both in the Winthrop School.

On motion of Mr. Haskins of Ward 12, the Report, in print, "City Doc. 101," on the subject of introducing instruction in Military Drill into the Public Schools for Boys, was taken from the table. The question was upon the Order reported by the Committee at the last meeting, (page 529,) which the Chair read, and the subject received a lengthy discussion. Finally, the Order was amended, on motion of Dr. Bigelow, by inserting the word "Committee" in the fifth line of the Order, in the printed report, after the word "masters," and, as amended, was then adopted.

The Chair appointed as the Committee, the gentlemen from the Committee to whom the subject was

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riginally viewed: viz. Hyde Park, Fitchburg, Engineer Brainard, and Haynes.

Salaries of Teachers: Report of Committee.

Dr. Hall submitted, in print, City Doc. No. 103, the Report of the Com. on Salaries, concerning the present rate of salaries paid to Teachers in the Public Schools. Whereupon the Report was read, and the following Orders:

Orders.

1. Ordered: That so much of Sect. 2 Chap. 3, of the Rules and Regulations, as relates to the time when the salaries of instructors shall be fixed, be suspended, for the passage of the following Orders.

2. That the salary of five Masters in the Grammar Schools be increased to $2200.00, and the salary of one now receiving $2000.00, be increased to $2100.00.

3. Ordered: That the salaries of all Assistants in the Grammar Schools, and of all Primary Instructors who do not now receive the maximum, $450.00, be advanced $50.00.

4. Ordered. That the salary of the Masters of the Bigelow, Dwight, and Boylston Schools be increased to the maximum, $2000.00.

5. Ordered: That the dates of the above changes shall be; for Primary Teachers, from Nov. 1. 1863; and for Grammar Teachers from Dec. 1. 1863; and that hereafter, the salary of Masters in the Grammar Schools shall be, for the first year, $1000.00, with an annual increase of $100.00 till the salary amounts to $1200.00; and of Assistants in the Grammar Schools, and Primary Teachers, $350.00 for the first year, with an annual increase of $50.00, till the salary amounts to $450.00.

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On motion of Mr. Hayes the Board resolved to Reconsider the Vote, on motion of Mr. Richardson, that the Orders lie upon the table. On motion of Mr. Kent the subject was assigned for consideration, to commence from to day, - at which time, the Board, on motion of Mr. Haynes, voted to adjourn.

Meeting of the Board suspended.

Voted, on motion of Dr. Bell, under a suspension of the Rules, - that the sessions of the Public Schools be suspended on the Saturday next following Christmas Day.

Primary School House ordered to the City.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Randall, that the Primary School Building in Spring St. Place be surrendered to the City Council, - the School Committee having no further use for it.

Report of Committee on School Houses for Primary School in Franklin District.

The Committee on School-Houses, to whom was referred the subject of leasing the Franklin District Committee to establish a new Primary School, have attended to the duty assigned them, and respectfully Report: - The crowd of scholars in the Primary Schools in the Franklin District being sufficient, in the opinion of said Committee, to warrant the establishing of a new primary School, they recommend the passage of the accompanying Order.

W. E. Endicott, Chairman.

Order passed.

Ordered, That the Franklin District Committee be authorized to establish a new Primary School in said District. Read, and accepted, and the Order passed.

Repeal of Common Schools; Salary during teacher's Institute Quarterly School; During School; Salaries of Town primary teachers.

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The Committee on Schools to whom was referred the Petition relating to the employment of Female teachers in the Quarterly Schools of this Town, & the Petition of Geo. Hamet & others, in the Primary School, reported as follows:—

The consideration of the large number of Petitions and the Remonstrance against the proposed changes in the Rules & Regulations relating to the Schools, and that the additional Expenses required each week to meet the wants, the Committee recommend that $50.00 be added to the Salary of the teachers, for the present School year.

The Rules and Regulations do not recognize the employment of Female Teachers, consequently they cannot receive the pay. Others. It would be establishing a dangerous precedent to allow females to be employed in Institutes and temporary teachers, while they are employed as such teachers in the City. The Committee would prefer the Petitioners entirely; but if a change can't be made the Committee think, that if a change can be made it will be just as well for a year, or more. The Committee therefore recommend that $50 be paid to Miss Lund, instead of $66.00. The Order and amendment relating to the salary of Miss Lund of the Boylston, and that of the Teacher of the Primary School, have been omitted in the printed report.

Per Committee, A. C. Hall.

Ordered: That $50.00 be added to the salary of the teacher of Primary School for the present School year; and that the Committee

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2. Ordered, That Jesse L. Peck be appointed Janitor for Grammar Department in the Quincy School House, from Oct. 2d to Aug. 31st inclusive.

Read and laid on the table and the question being upon the Order that was adopted. Question of Mr. Lewis it was voted to substitute "Thirty" and Order the original Order: viz. "That twelve dollars be allowed Each Janitor for 24 days' service as temporary Janitor in the Quincy School House from Oct. 20th to Aug. 31st inclusive." The question was taken upon the substituted Order and it was adopted.

Ct. Clerk's petition. The Chair announced a communication from Ct. Clerk, for his services as Instructor in Military Drill and Gymnastics in the Public Schools. The communication was referred to the Special Committee upon that subject.

The Meeting then, on motion of Dr. Gerhard, adjourned.

Attest:

Barnard Capen, Secretary.

A Meeting of the School Com- Dec. 29. 1863.
mittee of the City of Boston was held by adjourn-
ment, in the Common Council Chamber on Tues-
day, Dec. 29th, 1863, at 4 o'clock P.M. The President
of the Board in the Chair. Present, Messrs Bowditch,
Bond, Capen, Hayden, Brown, Burnham, Cate, Absent.
Chickering, Hawkins, Hall, Hinckley, Kimball, Lamb,
Murdock, Ricker, Russell, Shute, Sturgis, Taylor,
Underwood of Ward XII, and Upham.

On motion of Mr. Simonds the Board confirmed Bigelow Dist.
the transfer, by the respective Committees, of Miss Car- Lincoln "
oline R. Holway from a primary school in the Bigelow Transfer of
District to a primary school in the Lincoln District a teacher.

The following Teachers were confirmed, viz. Confirmations:
Mary E. Gray, Primary, in the Chapman District. Chapman Dist.
services commencing Sept. 1st.
Helen Beaumont, Assistant in the Everett School, Everett School.
commencing Sept. 7th.
Sarah F. Mason, Primary, in the Everett District Everett (Prim'y)
commencing Sept. 10th.
Hannah E. Perry and Anna T. Tuttle, Primary, in Franklin (Prim'y)
the Franklin District.
The following Teachers were nominated as being on Nominations:
probation, viz.
Amanda F. Critchett, Primary, in the Chapman Chapman
District, and Jane M. Reid, Assistant in the Chap- School & Prim'y.
man School.
Eudora M. Draper, Primary, in the Bigelow Dis- Bigelow (Prim'y)
trict, commencing Nov. 12th.

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James H. Duncan, Master of the Phillips School, commencing Dec. 28, 1863.

Report of Com. on Salaries.

The Special assignment being the Report of the Committee on Salaries, City Doc. No. 105, - on motion of Mr. Kendall the Report was taken from the table, and the Order providing for a suspension of the Rules adopted.

Thereupon Mr. Bathrop offered the following Order, as a substitute for the Order appended to the Report:- Ordered, That a grant or additional appropriation of $30,000 be made, to increase the Salaries of the Teachers of the Public Schools of the City of Boston, for nine months of the current School year; viz. from the First of December, 1863, to the first of September, 1864; and that the same be apportioned among the teachers according to the following ratio: viz. an increase of 15 per cent to all teachers whose salaries are less than $1,000,00; an increase of 10 per cent to all teachers whose salaries are $1,000,00, or between $1000,- and $2,000.00; and an increase of 5 per cent to all teachers whose salaries are as much as, or more than, $2,000.00.

This was adopted, was substituted for the Order reported by the Committee (Doc. 105 of 1863, page 535.)

Voted, on motion of Mr. Hale, to divide the question, and to first take the vote upon the question upon the passage of the Order.

On motion of Mr. Emery, it was voted to consider separately the different provisions of the Order.

The following amendments to the Substitute were then adopted: viz. Dec. 29. 1863.

1. That the salaries of teachers receiving at the rate of $400.00, and under, be increased 20 per cent.

2. That all salaries of $1000.00, and under, to $400.00, be increased 15 per cent.

The question was taken on the propositions of the substitute, and they were rejected: viz. to an increase of 15 per cent on salaries less than $1000.00; an increase of 10 per cent on salaries of $1000.00, or more, and less than $2000.00; and to an increase of 5 per cent on salaries of $2000.00, and of more than $2000.00.

The question was taken upon the Order reported by the Committee, (No. 4, page 533,) touching the maximum the salaries of the Masters of the Eighth, Ninth, and Eighteen Thousand it was rejected: - Mr. Hayes previously withdrew the name of Mr. Adams, Master of the Seventh Ward, at Mr. Adams's request, from the operation of said Order.

The Substitute, as amended, was then adopted.

A motion by Dr. Townsend, to reconsider the vote whereby the Board adopted the substitute, was rejected.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Hayes, that the Committee on Accounts be requested to ask the City Council to make the necessary appropriation to cover the increase of salaries now ordered.

On motion of Dr. Hall, it was Sessions of Pub. Schools suspended.

Ordered, That the sessions of the Public Schools be suspended on Saturday next, the day following the Fast Day.

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Compensation & Messenger.

Ordered. That there be paid to Wm. O. K. Dunn for his services as Messenger to this Board the last year the sum of $300.00 - the same as was paid to him the previous year.

The following Orders were referred to the Committee on Salaries:-

Phillips School: temporary teachers to be paid.

1. Ordered. That the sum of $20.00 be paid to Lucy M. Newhall, for services as temporary teacher in the Phillips School from Nov. 13th to Dec. 12th inclusive.

2. Ordered. That the sum of $10.00 be paid to Ellen Fairbanks, for services as temporary teacher in the Phillips School, from Dec. 11th to Dec. 24th, inclusive.

Thanks to the President.

On motion of Dr. Gould, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of this Board are due to His Honor the Mayor, for the acceptable manner in which he has discharged his duties as our President, during the past year; and that, to his familiarity with our Rules, his dignity, and self respect, and the uniform courtesy shown to each member of the Board, is to be ascribed the order and unity with which every measure has been discussed and decided, throughout the whole year. (We feel happy in the anticipation of his continued incumbency in office).

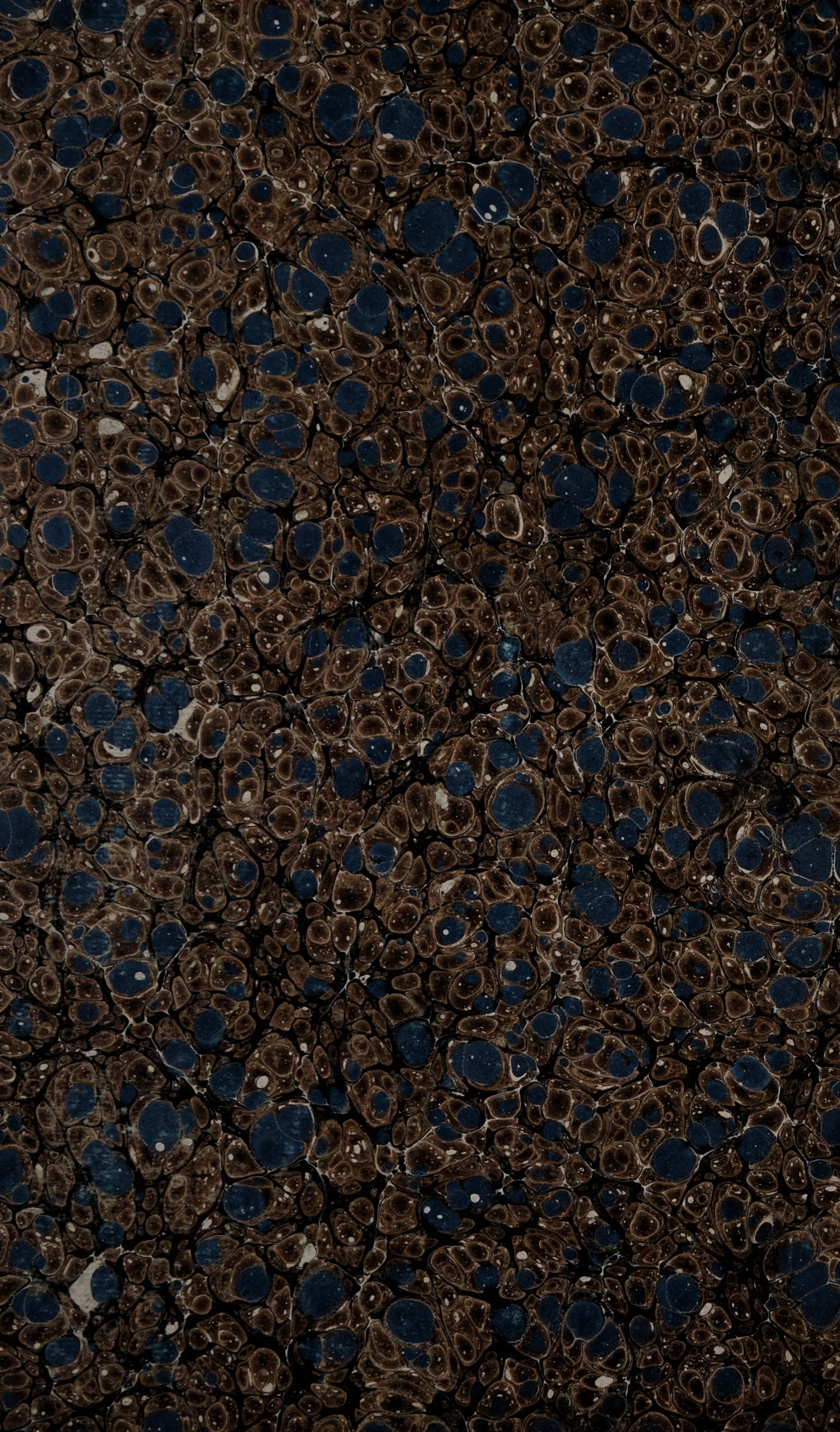
Voted unanimously, the members rising, and standing in their places. The Mayor then made a suitable response.

On motion of Dr. Hall, it was

Voted, That the thanks of the Board be ten-

dered to Hon. Geo. T. Hale, the President of the Common Council, who had presided on the dedication of the Board, in the absence of the President. Passed unanimously, to which Mr. Hale responded in some appropriate remarks. | Dec. 29. 1863. Thanks to Pres.t of Common Council

On motion of Ald. Patten, Ward 4, the Board then adjourned, sine die. | Adjournment, without day.

Attest.

Barnard Capen, Secretary.